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BALDWIN WILL DEMAND CONFIDENCE

LABOUR MOVES CENSURE VOTE

GENEVA DELAYING PEACE ACTION

EDEN NOT EXPECTED TO PRESS FORMULA

London, Dec. 17.

A fighting speech is expected from Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and joint author of the Paris peace proposals, when he opens Thursday's debate in the House of Commons and faces the Opposition's strong vote of censure.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, will demand a vote of confidence. But this is not to be taken as a vote in favour of the Peace Plan itself.

With regard to proceedings at Geneva to-morrow, Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Minister for League of Nations Affairs, may elect to adhere to the line that the peace proposals are not intended to be imposed on either of the parties to the dispute, but are put forward merely as a basis for discussion. No attempt will be made to push them further than is acceptable to the League, he may say.

On the other hand it is anticipated that Mr. Eden will repeat Britain's well-known willingness to take measures to insure success in any collective action decided upon by the League.—*Reuter*.

DISCUSSION DELAYED

Geneva, Dec. 17.

Despite the fact that the League Council convenes to-morrow, strategists plan to delay an open discussion of the Anglo-French peace proposals until Friday, following the British House of Commons debate on the formula on Thursday.—*United Press*.

LABOUR'S CENSURE

London, Dec. 17.

A vote of censure has been tabled in Parliament by the Labour Party for Thursday's debate, which will entail a full explanation of the Government's attitude towards the Paris Peace proposals, and at which it is expected some sensational disclosures may be made.

The vote of censure reads: "That the terms put forward by His Majesty's Government as a basis for the Italo-Abyssinian settlement reward the declared aggressor at the expense of the victim, destroy collective security, conflict with the expressed will of the country and the Covenant of the League of Nations, to the support of which the honour of Britain is pledged; the House therefore demands these terms be immediately repudiated."

Major C. Richard Attlee, the Labour Leader, will move the vote of censure.

Prior to framing the vote of censure, the National Council of Labour, representing the Trades Union Congress, the Labour Party and the Parliamentary Labour Party, passed a resolution emphatically condemning the peace proposals. The resolution called upon the League to apply effectively the sanctions policy and refuse to recognise invasion or conquest of any part of Ethiopia as a basis for a settlement.—*Reuter*.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Paris, Dec. 17.

M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, insisted upon and obtained a vote of confidence in the French Chamber before leaving for the Geneva meeting to-morrow.—*Reuter*.

LAVAL'S CHALLENGE

Paris, Dec. 17.

"I represent France at Geneva. I would be unworthy to do so if the representatives of our country engage in a controversy upon foreign policy," declared M. Pierre Laval, speaking in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

He would prefer not to go to Geneva at all if the Chamber considered his policy dangerous.

The deputies voted 304 to 252 in support of the Government, defeating the Opposition's demand for an immediate debate on the Anglo-French peace proposal. They upheld M. Laval's demand that the debate be called on December 27, after the Geneva session.—*United Press*.

In connection with the children's Christmas party being held at the Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow, special buses will leave the top Peak tram station at 2.45 p.m. and the Hongkong Hotel at 2.30 p.m. Those without tickets for the party can obtain them at the door at the Repulse Bay Hotel.



The ceremony of laying cornerstones for the projected National Music Conservatory and the National Art Gallery was held in Nanking under the chairmanship of Mr. Chu Cheng, President of the Judicial Yuan. Our picture shows Mr. Chu Cheng putting down the cornerstone, while Mr. Chu Ming-nyi, Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan, stands beside him.

COALMINE DEADLOCK SOLVED?

STRUGGLE TO AVERT STRIKE MENACE

OWNERS READY TO PAY MORE

London, Dec. 17.

No agreement was reached at last evening's meeting, lasting nearly five hours, between representatives of the coalowners and the Miners' Federation on the wages dispute.

The owners regretted that their request to be allowed to increase prices under existing contracts had so far not been met with such a favourable response as they had hoped, and they intimated that in the present circumstances the utmost they could undertake was that wages would be increased in every district on January 1, the amount of the increase, and other details to be left to the districts to determine.

The Federation's representatives expressed satisfaction at the position, and at their request the owners undertook to ask the districts to intimate as early as possible what offer they were prepared to make.

It is understood that a further meeting will be held, but the date has not yet been fixed.—*Reuter*.

BUILDING ENORMOUS U. S. LINER

SHIP TO REPLACE LEVIATHAN

COST OF CRAFT \$11,900,000

Washington, Dec. 17.

The United States Lines will build an enormous superliner which will exceed the mighty British Queen Mary and the French giant Normandie, for the Atlantic blue ribbon.

Signature of a contract to construct this monster to replace the Leviathan at a cost of \$11,900,000, was confirmed by Mr. Daniel Roper, Secretary of Commerce to-day. The contract was signed by the United States Lines and the Newport News Shipbuilding Company.

It will become effective only when Mr. Roper has approved it and application for a construction loan.

To-day the Imperial policy of the Parliamentary group which includes right wing Conservative members, who have more than once expressed misgivings regarding the League action in connection with the Abyssinian question, was issued in a statement conveying to the Prime Minister the support of the Government in pursuance of any policy which tends to deport from the settlement of the dispute. This group stands firmly on the ground that British foreign policy should be based on Imperial requirements and agreements.—*British Wireless*.

HUPEH APPOINTMENT

Nanking, Dec. 18.

It is officially announced that Yung-tat, General Chiang Kai-shek's chief secretary, has been appointed the chairman of the Hupeh Government, and that Cheng Chien, former commander of the Sixth Army, has been named chief of staff.—*British Wireless*.

CHINESE CITIES AS SACRIFICE

NEW AREAS MAY GO TO MANCHUKUO

NO FIGHTING NEAR KALGAN

(Special to "Telegraph").

Peiping, Dec. 18.

Kalgan has not been the scene of any fighting lately. The Japanese press, the Chinese press, and finally the Chinese official services agree that no fighting has occurred—in奉天 Charhar for the past two days.

The Manchukuo troops are remaining in the neighbourhood of Kuyuan and Paicheng.

Colonel Matsui, the Japanese resident officer at Kalgan, Chang Tschung, the Charhar Governor, and Chang Yun-jung, commander of the Peace Preservation Corps in the area, are at present negotiating at Peiping.

The possibility is developing that Kuyuan, Paicheng, Kangpao and some other territory may be taken over eventually by the Manchukuoans.

The immediate situation is not critical.—*United Press*.

BRITAIN'S NAVY PACT PROPOSAL

NEW SUGGESTION AT CONFERENCE

AMERICAN SUPPORT?

London, Dec. 17.

New ground was broken at the Naval Conference to-day when Viscount Monson, First Lord of the Admiralty introduced a proposal inviting the powers to state what tonnage they contemplated constructing in the next four years.

Behind the proposal is the idea that any eventual treaty will contain a clause recognising all the signatories' rights to equality of security and to the possession of a measure of armaments necessary for their national security.

No actual figures would be mentioned in such a treaty, it is believed, but unilateral declarations containing tonnages would be annexed as a less formal undertaking than the treaty itself.

Thus individual countries would not sacrifice their status by agreeing on their building plan in advance, but whether annexes would be made a contractual obligation depends upon the support given to the British proposal.

It is understood that the United States strongly favours annexes being made definitely contractual and it is expected that America will suggest an escalator clause, the same as is contained in the present treaties, designed to maintain present ratios.—*Reuter*.

NEW PROPOSAL

London, Dec. 17.

At a full meeting of the first committee of the Naval Conference held this afternoon, the United Kingdom delegation made a statement setting out a proposal for quantitative limitation of naval construction over a period of years by means of unilateral declarations on the part of Naval Powers.

Preliminary discussion ensued in the course of which various delegations requested clarification of the United Kingdom's proposal.—*British Wireless*.

FEAR OF WAR

London, Dec. 17.

At a private conference, Admiral Nagano candidly told Mr. Norman Davis that the popular apprehension in Japan of the possibility of a naval war necessitates the rejection of President Roosevelt's suggestion of a general 20 per cent. reduction with retention of existing ratios.—*United Press*.

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BRITISH FINANCES FURTHER INCREASE IN REVENUE

London, Dec. 17.

Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue, excluding self-balancing items, amounts to £411,400,000, compared with £393,863,147 at the corresponding date of last year. Total inland revenue is £168,072,000, against £152,638,000, in the same period of the last financial year.

Total ordinary expenditure, exclusive of self-balancing items, is £524,208,024, against £504,000,018 at the corresponding date of 1934.—*British Wireless*.

BRITISH DUTY ON SILK

London, Dec. 17.

In a Parliamentary reply, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced that it was not his intention to propose the repeal or reduction of Customs duties on raw silk, or of the excise duty on artificial silk, at any rate before the end of March, 1937.—*British Wireless*.

Local DOLLAR UNCHANGED

London, Dec. 17.

Queen Eleanor dollar was unchanged at 1s. 3½d. on opening this morning, this being the rate when the quotation advanced 1/8th yesterday afternoon.

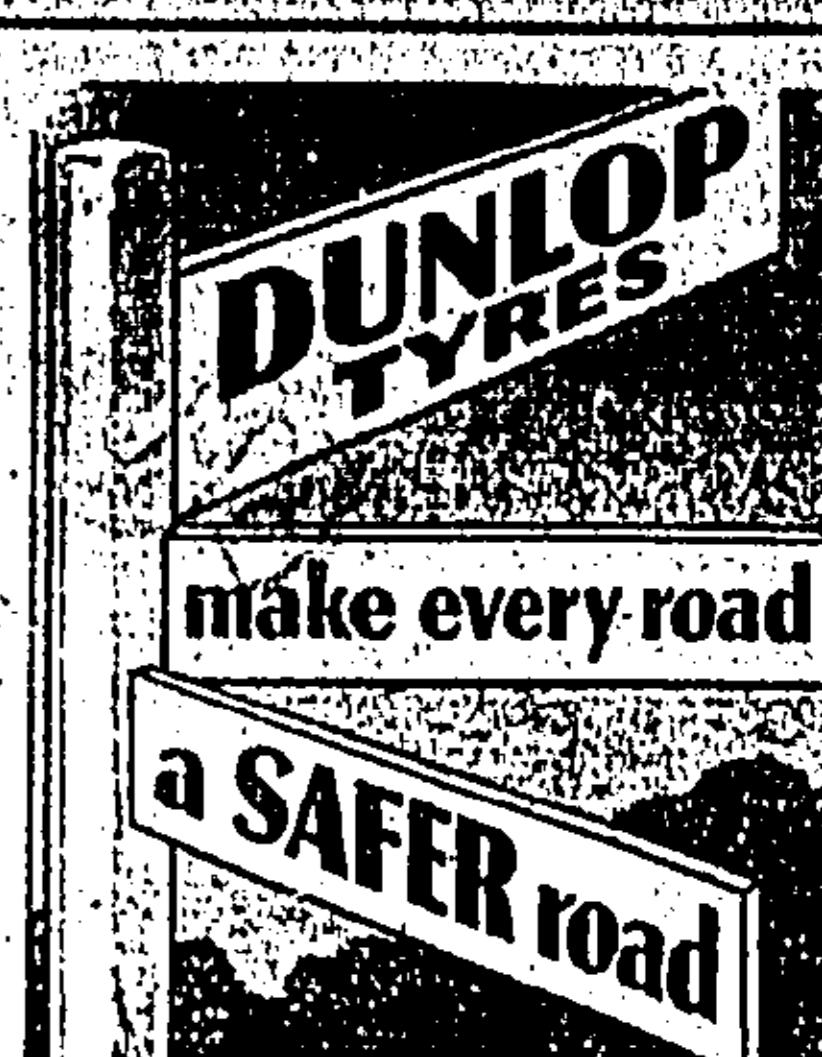
Before the close yesterday, the exchange rate was 1s. 3¾d., but this morning rates were 1s. 3½d. sellers and 1s. 3½d. buyers. The tone of the market was rather easier.

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ITALIAN FORCES ROUTED

SURPRISE ATTACK BY ETHIOPIANS

ADVANCE 12 MILES ON TAKKAZZE FRONT

Asmara, Dec. 17.

The Ethiopian advance on the Takkazze River front, which forced Italian troops to retreat after severe fighting, was a master-stroke, according to the Ethiopians' own methods of warfare, despatches from the front disclose. An official Italian communiqué admits the loss of ground and the retreat.

Taking advantage of clouds which obscured the moon and made the night black as a cave, the Ethiopians forded the river at 4 o'clock in the morning, gathered themselves together and fell upon the outposts of the Italian Second Army Corps. The outposts were taken by surprise.

Ethiopian troops followed the retreating Italians, but were later temporarily checked by machine-gun fire.

The main body of the Ethiopian army had by now crossed the Takkazze River, however. It carried out this manoeuvre quite openly, possibly in order to draw the Italian fire and divert attention from other Ethiopian movements in the fighting zone.

The forward Italian blockhouses had to be abandoned. The rear blockhouses were reinforced, but by 6 o'clock, after two hours' fighting the Italians had been driven back on Dembegima, which is a pass a dozen miles north-east of the ford where the attack first began.

TAKEN ON FLANK

This pass was strongly defended, Italian reinforcements having been rushed there. The Italians claim to have punished severely the advancing Ethiopians.

This second phase of the battle lasted until late afternoon.

Meanwhile, a considerable force of Ethiopians, commanded by Dedjashat Ayelaburru, had crossed the Takkazze River sixty miles downstream, and advancing rapidly threatened the Italian flank.

The advance continued, and the Shire and Adiabo regions were penetrated, with the purpose of intimidating the local population which had submitted to the Italians.

Italian planes and whippet tanks attacked the black warriors, who nevertheless continued to advance until late yesterday afternoon.—*Reuter*.

KING TO TALK TO EMPIRE

CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

WHOLE WORLD WILL HEAR

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 17.

The King's broadcast message to his people on Christmas Day will be spoken by His Majesty from Sandringham at 3 p.m. and will be followed by the singing of the National Anthem simultaneously in different parts of Great Britain.

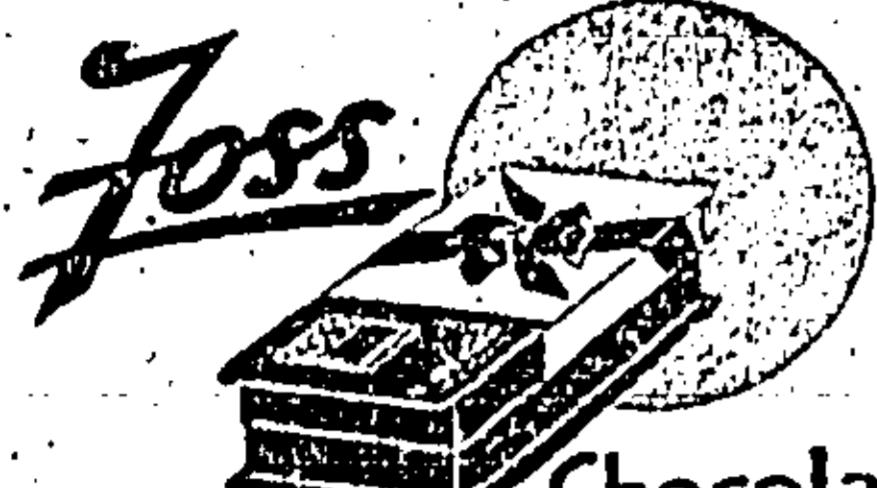
The message will be preceded by a programme entitled "This Great Family." The title has been suggested by His Majesty's references to his headship of "this great and widespread family."

In the Christmas message last year, the programme opened at 2.25 p.m. with a prologue including a relay of the bells of the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem.

This year, starting at 2.30 p.m., messages from various points in Great Britain and the Dominions will be flashed successively round the earth.—*Reuter Special*.

Vice-Admiral J. P. Estovin left Hongkong this morning on the French cruiser *Primaugut* for Saigon where he will transfer his command to the cruiser *Lamotte-Picquet*. He will return to Hongkong on the latter ship early in the New Year.

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MYSTERY PATCH ON THE SUN BAFFLES SCIENTISTS

ASTRONOMER-ROYAL STUDYING IT NOW

"SO FAR IT HAS HAD NO EFFECT,
BUT IT MAY CAUSE TELEPHONE,
WIRELESS AND TELEGRAPH TROUBLE"
—BRITISH G.P.O.

THE world's astronomers have for the past week been observing the most mysterious stream of sunspots ever known.

The group of spots (a patch 80,000 miles long) is the largest seen on the sun's surface for many years. It was expected to cause:

Magnetic storms;

Interference in wireless reception;

Difficulties in telegraph and telephone transmission.

Yet as far as can be discovered by the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, the G.P.O., the Air Ministry and the B.B.C., it has had no effect at all.

It should have increased the brightness of the Aurora Borealis, the "Northern Lights"; yet very little glow from the North Pole has been observed.

The only phenomenon which may have been caused by it was last week's cold snap.

Dr. Harold Spencer-Jones, F.R.S., the Astronomer-Royal, said:

"We have been watching the group of sunspots here at the Royal Observatory for more than a week. There has been an enormous amount of activity on the sun recently."

"The group is 80,000 miles long,

HOW TO SEE THE PATCH OF MYSTERY

The Astronomer-Royal gave the following instructions for those who wish to see for themselves the great stream of sunspots:

Smoke the lenses of a pair of field glasses, or take a pair of dark spectacles.

Wait till the sun is just above the horizon before sunset at about 4 p.m. Look at it steadily till you are able to make out a reddish patch of "freckles".

Do NOT try to see it when the sun is high. It is most dangerous to the eyesight.

or ten times the diameter of the earth. It appears as a stream of dark reddish freckles on the sun.

"The present group of spots appears to be moving across the sun's surface. Actually, of course it is stationary, and the sun itself is turning. The sun revolves once in every 27 days."

"Sunspots are closely connected with magnetic storms. We cannot be certain why this is, but the connection has been established."

"Magnetic storms have been expected all over the world during the past month. So far, however, none of any importance has been recorded."

"It must, of course, be borne in mind that such disturbances take a long time to reach the earth."

"We would normally expect the climax here a day and a half after the sunspot has come opposite the earth."

"You can detect magnetic storms easily with a compass. They violently agitate the compass needle."

"Such storms are important. They have a considerable effect on wireless transmission and reception and also on telegraphic and telephonic communication."

"We are not certain exactly what sunspots are. There is much difference of opinion."

"So far as we can tell they are in the nature of chronic disturbances in the gaseous substance of the sun, and they have a vertical motion like a cyclone or a whirlpool."

FULL LIST OF QUETTA EARTHQUAKE AWARDS

The following honours have been conferred by the King in recognition of gallant and distinguished conduct during the Quetta earthquake and the relief work afterwards. The Kalash-Hind Silver and Bronze Medals are awarded by the Viceregal of India.

The names are as follows:

THE ORDER OF THE STAR OF INDIA

K.C.S.I.—Major-General Henry Karsikar, C.B., M.C., D.S.O., lately Officier G.O. G-in-C, Western Cmdt.

THE ORDER OF THE INDIAN EMPIRE

C.I.E.—Lt.-Col. Samuel George Steele Haughton, I.M.S., Officier G.O.E., I.M.S., Officier A.D.M.S., Zind (Independent) Bde. Arun, Western Cmdt.

THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

O.B.E. (Civil Division)

Mr. Basil Clarence Lahey Benn, Dvmln. Supt., N.W. Ry., Quetta.

Supt., Vans, Reparations Officer, I.M.S. Lt.-Col. Vans, Reparations Officer, I.M.S. (Bomd), I.M.S., Officier F.R.C.S. (Quetta).

Officer of Operative Surgery, King Edward Medical Coll., Lahore, Punjab.

Mr. Clement Percival Skinner, Political Dept., Revenue and Revenues, Jodhpur, Central Commr.

ROYAL RED CROSS (1ST CLASS)

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Mil. Families' Hosp., Quetta.

Miss Georgina Wilson, I.M.S., Staff Nurse, Queen's Hospital, Quetta.

Sister Miss Nettie McCullough, Q.A.M.N.S., Brit. Mil. Hosp., Quetta.

Sister Miss Margaret Helen Rawlinson, Q.A.M.N.S., Brit. Mil. Hosp., Quetta.

KAHAR HIND SILVER MEDAL BAR TO THE MEDAL OF THE SECOND CLAS

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Eva Mrs. Williams (wife of Lt.-Col. A. H. Williams, M.C., 10th Light Cav.).

Spill Vans, Educator, Brit. Col. Officer, R.E., II. (Western Cmdt.)

Colonel Sir Charles Balfour, Justice of the High Court of Justice, Lahore, Punjab.

Gladys Lily, Mrs. Ellen (wife of Supt. Lt.-Col. N. H. D. O.P.C., No. 6 (A.C.) Supt., I.M.S., Officier F.R.C.S. (Quetta)).

Mary Florence, Mrs. Gehring (wife of Major J. W. Gehring, M.C., Political Dept., Intelligence Bureau, Lahore, Punjab).

Miss Ruth Hodson, Mill. Chals., C. of E. Zemam Mission Soc., Quetta, Baluchistan.

Reuben Lett (wife of Mr. Adel Lett, Executive Officer, I.M.S., Officier F.R.C.S. (Quetta)).

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Miss Alice McLean Smith, A/Matron, Ind. Mill. Hospt., Quetta.

Olive Beatrice Mrs. Trevelyan, Ind. Bn. 10th Punjab.

Rose Beatrix, Mrs. Wingate Gray, wife of Major W. S. Wingate Gray, M.C., 24th Mtn. Regt.

Mr. Abdul Salat Haji Suleman Nawvala, O. C. Mem. Relief Soc., Calcutta.

Ihd. Chandanwala Mulchan Khival, Merchant.

Hyder Ali, Head of the Hyder Ali Committee, Hyderabad, Sind, Bombay.

Mr. Shah Goolay Parmanand Ramchand, Asst. Health Officer, Quetta Municipality.

Mr. Henry Bowly Talarum Holland, Medical Officer, Church Mission Soc., Quetta, Baluchistan.

Mr. D. G. Durnford Hall, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Mr. Kazi Khudabuddin, B.A., LL.B., Mayor of Karachi.

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WHEN DEATH STALKED IN QUETTA

MEN AND WOMEN WHO RISKED LIVES IN EARTHQUAKE

Nurse Who Saved Children

Officer Risked Grave Infection

Native Soldiers Ignored Danger

Official Tributes To Deeds Of Heroism After Earthquake

London, Dec. 10. — The deeds of heroism in the Quetta earthquake, which won either the Albert Medal or the Medal of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire were described in the "London Gazette" last night.

The awards and the official statements are given below:

THE ALBERT MEDAL

Nurse Florence Allen.

At the risk of her life, and at the cost of serious injuries to her leg, Miss Allen saved the life of the child in her charge by throwing herself across the cot. She has displayed the highest courage ever since.

Lt. John Guine Cowley, R.E., 10th Army Troop Co., Q.V.O., Madras Sappers and Miners.

Lt. Cowley and his party were the first to start relief work at the Civil Hospital, where the walls of all the wards had collapsed, bringing down the roofs intact on the inmates, on whom the debris of the walls had already fallen. At first the men were too few in number to tear off the roofs, so they raised them up for short periods whilst Lt. Cowley crawled under them and dragged out survivors from their beds. The survivors were pre-earthquake hospital patients and mostly quite helpless.

Lt. Cowley lifted many men in his arms, regardless of the warning that they were suffering from all manner of disease. Had it not been for the work of this officer and the excellent example shown by him to his men, very many less men would have been saved alive.

Lee-Naik Firoze Khan, 5th Bn. 8th Punjab (Burma) Regt.

On the morning of May 31 Lee-Naik Firoze Khan was in charge of a party engaged in rescue work and fire-fighting in the city. Hearing cries for help from beneath the ruins in the local vicinity of a first Lance-Naik Firoze Khan and his party commenced to dig and cut their way down into the building. After nearly two hours' work the Lance-Naik was able to enter the building from above and discovered two people pinned down by beams and rubble. The fire had by this time spread to the building in question, which was full of smoke and fumes. In spite of this the Lance-Naik with pick and shovel spent over half an hour beneath the ruins and finally released the injured people. He did this at great risk to his own life, as throughout there was grave danger of the ruins subsiding from the effect of the fire and further earthquake shocks.

Pte. Harry Fitzsimmons, 1st Bn. W. Yorks Regt.

On May 31 and June 1 and 2 Fitzsimmons was on rescue duty in the area of Quetta City to the east of Sandeman Hall. He worked with conspicuous energy and devotion to duty throughout the period of rescue work, and in conjunction with others was responsible for saving several lives. On June 1, in order to rescue an Indian whom he knew to be buried alive, Fitzsimmons, at great risk to his own life, made a passage under the debris of a house into which he was unable to crawl.

A SEDATIVE

It is now revealed that a drug called pyramidon, which is a mild nerve sedative and pain reliever, had been employed by the stricken individuals over a considerable period. The only method of accurate diagnosis is by an examination of the blood.

This reveals that nearly all the important white cells (known as polymorphs) have disappeared.

Upon these cells depends health and vitality, and when reduced the bodily resistance to bacterial invasion completely vanishes.

About 100 cases are known in which pyramidon tablets or medicine containing the drug have been the determining cause.

A new promise of cure has been offered by the discovery of a drug known as pentose nucleotide.

DOCTORS' PLEA

Two men and a woman were treated by this drug in Manchester Royal Infirmary recently. Both men recovered. The woman was in such a serious condition when she reached hospital that it was impossible to save her life.

Pentose nucleotide stimulates the bone marrow, which is concerned with the manufacture of the healthy white cells.

Doctors are approaching the Ministry of Health to urge new legislation to govern the sale of medicines containing pyramidon, which at present can be sold unrestricted.

At an inquest on a St. Pancras man last month it was stated that his death followed long use of the drug in the form of cough tablets.

The coroner said he intended to bring to the notice of the authorities the use of the drug in such tablets.



Charlie Chaplin is going to London for the premiere of "Modern Times," his latest film; a satire on our machine age.

DISEASE THAT PUZZLED THE MEDICAL WORLD

Clue Was Found In A Nerve Sedative

MEDICINE ANYONE CAN BUY

A new sore throat disease is puzzling doctors throughout the country.

Its name is Agranuloocyte Angina, and it strikes down those apparently in normal health and often proves fatal.

Women are more subject to it than men.

A clue to its nature has been provided by the discovery that among those affected are many doctors, nurses, and medical students.

This fact led to a search for a possible drug or medicine which might be the root of the trouble.

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THIS WAS THE PLANE WITH THE CRUMPLED WING

A cow in a field adjoining Mascot Aerodrome, Sydney, is extremely fortunate not to have a crumpled horn. A day or two ago, an aeroplane landed on her back.

The cow was knocked over, but scrambled up and ran off bellowing, little the worse. A wing of the machine was crumpled instead, says *Austral News*.

The engine of the plane cut out just after the take-off, necessitating a forced landing.

ADEN BECOMES AXIS OF BRITAIN'S NAVAL STRATEGY

AVIATRIX PLANS HOP TO CHINA



Airwoman is Katherine Cheung, aged twenty-two, of Long Beach, California. She has had two hundred hours' flying experience, and is now planning a solo flight to China, her homeland. Camera caught her swinging propeller of airplane given to her by Chinese residents of Southern California.

possible for saving the lives of several Indians buried under the debris in Quetta City; and on more than one occasion voluntarily endangered his own life to effect a rescue.

On May 31 in Quetta City, regardless of his own safety, he worked at great personal risk for four hours to effect the rescue of an Indian child entombed alive under a collapsed double-story building. In order to reach the child he had heard crying it was necessary to make a tunnel beneath the wreckage, which was in a most unsafe condition. The dead bodies of other members of the family were encountered embedded in the debris; it was impracticable to extricate them but the child was brought out unscathed. (The remains of this building did actually collapse in consequence of shocks that took place during the night of May 31-June 1.) Elston's personal example and bravery were most meritorious.

Lec-Cpl. George Henshaw, 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regt.

Immediately after the earthquake

Pte. Henshaw, together with other military policemen, went to carry out rescue work at Quetta Grammar School.

During this period he showed an utter disregard for his own safety and was most prominent in rescue operations in what was an extremely dangerous building.

At 6.30 a.m. he was employed in rescue work in St. John's road. An Indian child was located below

wreckage above which was a considerable amount of debris liable to fall at any moment. Pte. Henshaw dug under the wreckage and at the risk of his life crawled under and dragged the child out alive. His courage throughout was of the highest order.

Bmbrd. (Lee-Sgt.) Alfred Lungley, 24th Mtn. Bde. R.A.

In Bruce-road, Quetta, on June 2, at about 12 noon, a survivor was located in a house on the east side of the road. In order to extricate the survivor it was necessary to go to the bottom of a deep hole surrounded and overhung by tottering masonry. This was liable to collapse at any minor shock, some of which occurred during the work. Lee-Sgt. Lungley showed the greatest zeal and disregard for his own safety, although he was already suffering from a severe injury to his foot. The survivor was extricated alive.

Dangerous Rescue

Lec-Naik Mata Din, 4th Bn. 10th Hyderabad Regt. I.A.

On May 31 this non-commissioned officer showed conspicuous devotion to duty by excavating a man who was buried in a very dangerous place (and for whose rescue three parties had already made attempts, but had left him there, as there was very imminent danger of the working parties themselves being buried alive).

Naik Nandal Thapa, 2nd Bn. 8th Gurkha Rifles, I.A.

Naik Nandal Thapa formed part of the landing detachment of the battalion which was conveyed by mechanical transport from the Lines to Quetta City. There was no time for the party to collect tools. On arrival in the city the detachment was split up into small parties and worked with their hands for three hours, prior to the distribution of tools, extracting injured men and women from the debris.

GREAT CARE AND INTELLIGENCE

Great care and intelligence were required in order to avoid wounding the couple, whilst speed was essential if there was to be any hope of rescue.

Soon after 9.30 Mrs. Newington was extricated alive, and shortly after Mr. Newington dead. Lee-Sgt. Chitrabhadur Gurung showed initiative, resource and courage, which were undoubtedly instrumental in saving life.

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Ldg. A.C. Norman George Breadon, R.A.F.

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The Executive Committee of the Federation has been called for tonight to hear the report of its representatives attending the joint meeting.

The delegate conference of the Federation will meet to-morrow to be informed of the result of the negotiations and to take a decision.

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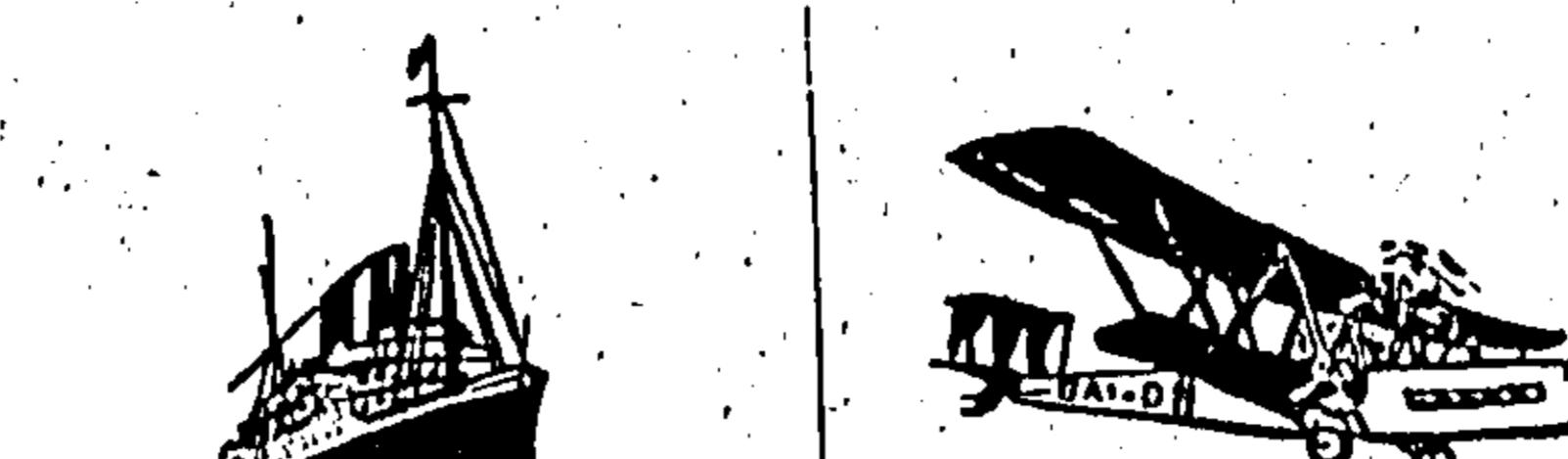
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Paris	74.33/64	74.31/64
Geneva	15.18/4	15.17/4
Berlin	12.26	12.25/4
Athens	519	519
Shanghai	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4
New York	4.92/4	4.92/4
Amsterdam	7.27/4	7.26/4
Vienna	26/4	26/4
Prague	118%	118%
Bucharest	605	605
Madrid	36.31/32	1/3.11/16
Lisbon	110%	110%
Hongkong	1/3/8	1/3.11/16
Brussels	29.22	29.20/4
Monto Video	30%	30%
Belgrade	216	217
Montreal	4.96/4	4.97/4
Yokohama	1/2.1/32	1/2.1/64
Helsingfors	226%	226%
Ilio	4/4	4/4
Buenos Aires	15	15
Oslo	24/4	24/4
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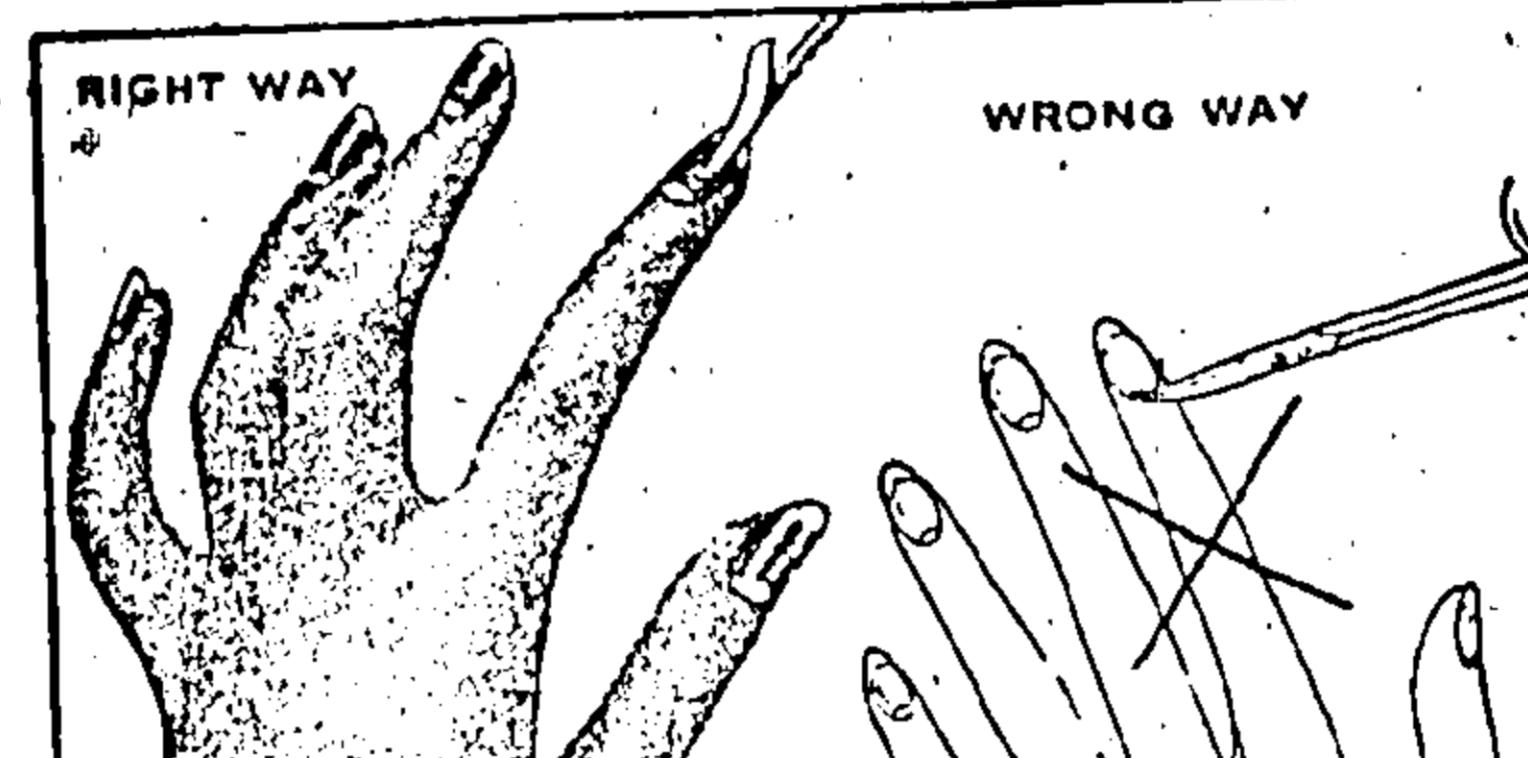
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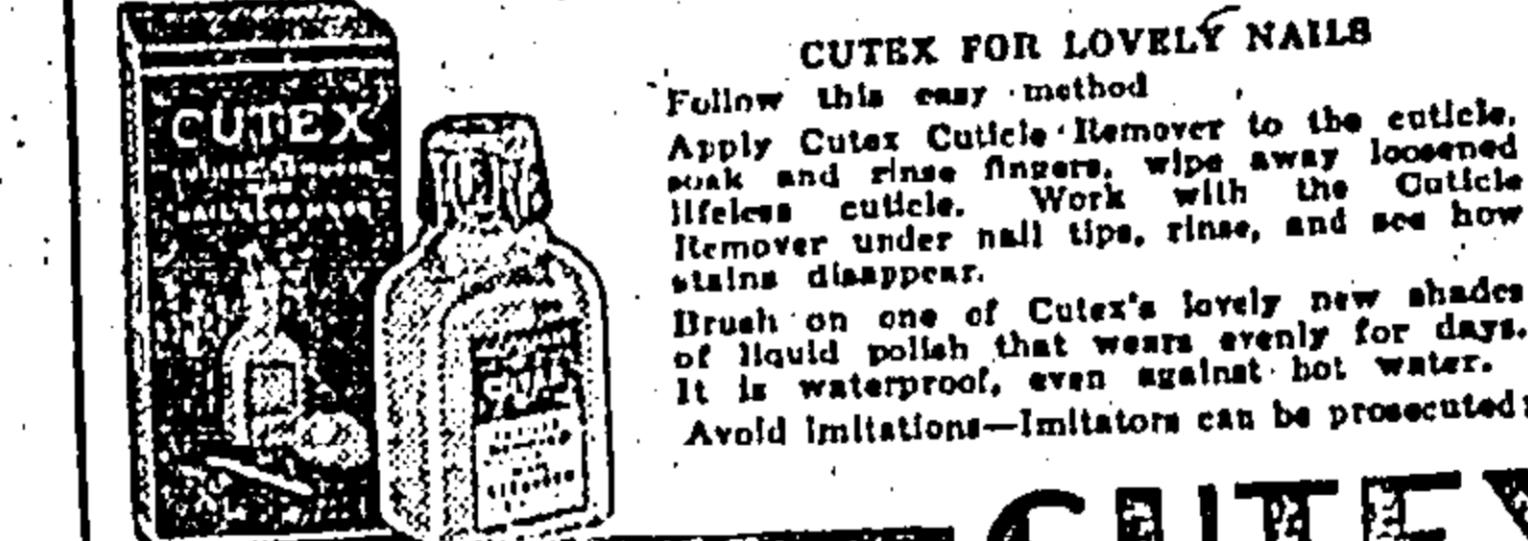
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Buenos Aires Maru ... December 18.

Calchas December 18.
Tantalus December 18.
Canton December 19.
Kamo Maru December 19.
Suiyang December 19.
Tilawa December 19.

Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan
and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C.,
30th November) December 20.
Japan and Shanghai December 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai
(San Francisco, 22nd Nov.) Pres. Haye December 20.

OUTWARD MAIIS

For Per Date and Time

Wednesday Hydrangen Wed., Dec. 18, 3.00 p.m.
Switow Tsinan Wed., Dec. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy Thursday.

Letters for "Imperial Service" Buenos Aires Maru Thurs., Dec. 19.
due London, 3rd January, 1936.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" due
Amsterdam, 30th December.

K.P.O. G.P.O.
Reg. Dec. 19, 10.30 a.m. Reg. Dec. 19, 11 a.m.
Letters Dec. 19, 11 a.m. Letters Dec. 19, 11.30 a.m.
Japan Kamo Maru Thurs., Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Hakusan Maru Thurs., Dec. 19, 12.30 p.m.
Mauritius, E. and S. Africa Friday.

K. P. O. K. P. O. G. P. O.
Reg. Dec. 20, 4 p.m. Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Letters Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m. Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

Manila Manila Emp. of Japan Fr. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Hakusan Maru Fr. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles, (Due Marseilles, 18th January 1936.) Pres. Hoover Fr. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

K. P. O. Pres. McKinley Fr. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Reg. Dec. 20, 4 p.m. Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Letters Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m. Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan and San Francisco, 12th Jan.) Gen. Lee Fr. Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.
Letters Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m. Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

Manila Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 7th January) Pres. Hayes Fr. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

Parcels Dec. 20, 3 p.m. Parcels Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.
Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m. Letters Dec. 20, 6 p.m.

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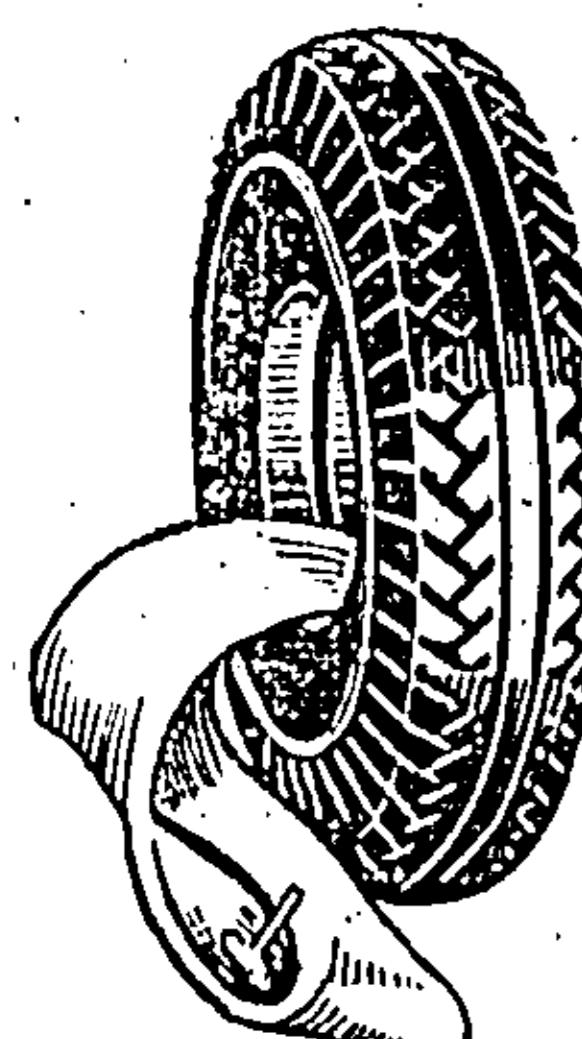
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British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952 £106½ £106

Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898
(Eng. Inv.) £101½ £101½

4½% Loan 1908 £98 £96

6% Loan 1912 £72½ £72½

5% Recyc. Loan
1912 (Ldn. Inv.) £90 £90

5% Gold Bonds £90½ £90½

5% Shai-Nanking Ry. £69½ £69½

5% Tient-Pukow Ry. £32 £32

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Lmn.) £31 £31

5% Honan Ry. £28 £28

5% Hukung Ry. 1911 £43 £42½

5% Lung Teling U. Hal. Ry. 1913 £19 £19

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7½% Int. Loan 1924 £59 £58½

Japan 5½% Sterling Loan 1907 £83½ £83½

Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924 £95½ £95½

H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) £97½ £97

Chard. Bk. of I.A. & C. £13 £13

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Associated & Elec. Industries 42½% 42½%

Austin Motor ord. sh. 41/- 41/-

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British-American Tobacco (Beverly) 115½/3 116/3

Canadian Celanese 102/6 102/6

Chinese Eng. and Min. (Penrith) 10/6 10/5

Courttaulds 55/0 56/0

Distillers 97/— 97/—

Dunlop Rubber 37/— 37/—

Electric and Musical Industries 27/- 27/-

General Electric (England) 72/0 72/0

Hawker Aircraft 29/— 29/—

Impl. Chem. Ind. 36/7½ 36/10½

O.K. Bazaar 46/9 46/9

Imperial Tobacco 151/3 161/3

Ross Royce 161/10½ 162/0

Shui Elec. Constr. 17/— 17/—

Tate & Lyle 85/9 85/9

Turner & Newall 65/— xd 68/3

United Steel 31/0 31/10½

Vickers ord. 20/— 20/6

Watney, Combe & Reid ord. 70/6 70/6

Woolworths 115/— 115/—

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 25/- 25/-

Guar. Kalumpang 22/0 22/0

Robot 1/3 1/3

Pekin Seal 29/½ 29/3

Rubber Plantation 29/— 29/—

Mines

Burma Corp. 11/1½ 117½

Commonwealth Mining 9/6 9/0

R. and F. F. F. Estates 53/6 xd 53/3

Sparwater Operations 7/6 7/4½

Springes Miners 43/1 xd 43/1½

Sub-Nickel 252/0 xd 252/6

Rhokana Corp. 100/— 105/—

Oils

Anglo-Iranian 67/0 68/1½

Burma 81/3 81/3

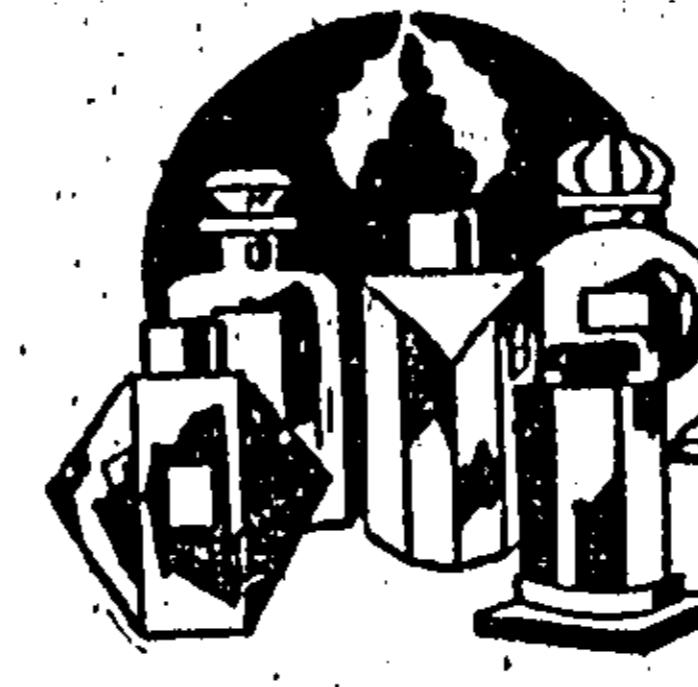
Shell Trans. and Trnd. (Bearer) 80/— 80/7½

Chosen Corp. 9/4½ 10/7½

Marman Investments 30/6 29/—

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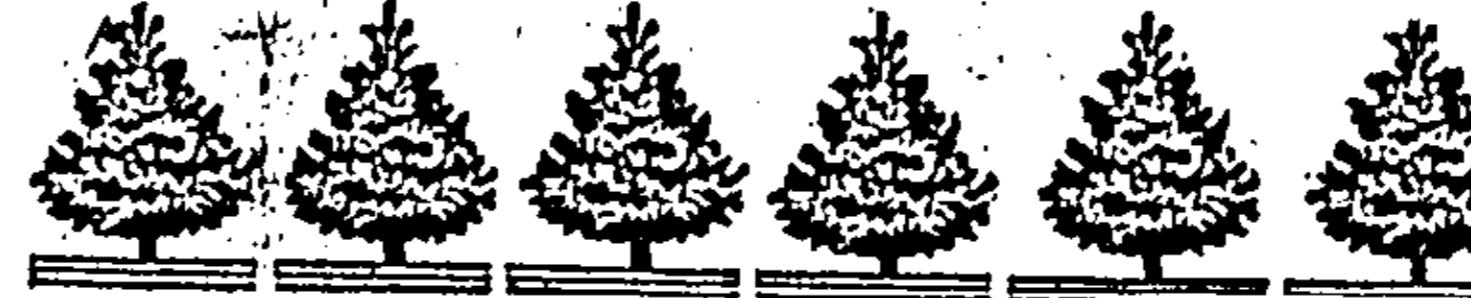
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December 11.29 11.45/16

January 11.25 11.42/42

March 10.91 10.97/97

May 10.81 10.87/87

July 10.51 10.63/05

October 11.65 11.80

New York Rubber

December 13.09 13.12/12

January 13.16b 13.18/18

March	13.32b	13.37/37
May	13.48a	13.60b/64
July	13.30	13.07/66

Total sales:—90 lots

Chicago Wheat

December 100% 101½/101¾

May 97½ 98 /97½

July 80½ 80½/80

Monday's sales:—26,273,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

December 57½ 57½/57½

May 59½ 59½/59½

July 61½ 60½/60½

Monday's sales:—4,833,000 bushels

Winnipeg Wheat

December 84½ 85½/86½

May 88½ 88½/88½

July 88½ 88½/88½

New York SH

December 1.88 1.88/90

March 1.85½ 1.85½/85½

May 1.85½ 1.85½/85½

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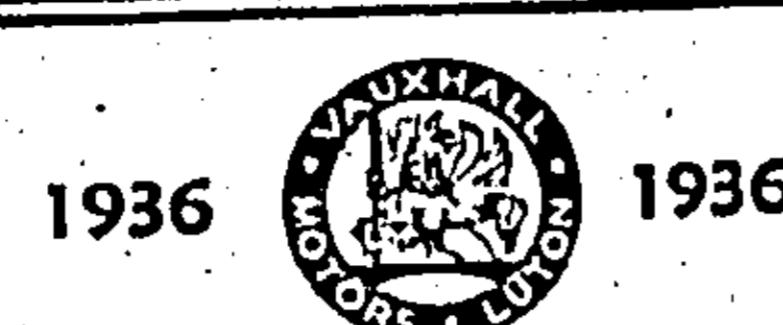
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and

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

INTENSE interest is being aroused by the forthcoming production at the Queen's Theatre in Hong Kong of Max Reinhardt's film in the version of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The interest is not only in this remarkable

NOTES OF THE DAY
NO EXCUSE FOR LAWLESSNESS

We call to the attention of anyone who cares to read the question printed in yesterday's London Times: "Do the realities of the military situation in Abyssinia justify the peace terms?" And we draw attention to the answer of the Times: "No!" And to its reasons for this judgment. It is not profound. There are some who argue that if the Italian advance had been more rapid and the Italian success more pronounced, there might be some justification for the Italian claim to Ethiopian territory. Apparently it was such persons the Times was answering when it pointed out that the Italian achievement in Ethiopia was not impressive; that its northern advance had not penetrated as far as the little Italian expedition of 1895, and that the only real victory in the south had been at Gorrache. Our view is that such claims do not require any answer. No matter what the Italian success has been, no matter if their armies were over-running all Ethiopia and if the Ethiopian defenders had been massacred on every battlefield, there would be no excuse for a surrender to the demands of Rome. Italy was responsible for this war, the League found; and, by this very judgment, the League made itself responsible for Ethiopia's sovereignty and independence, if not actually for its physical defence. There are some who argue, and with justification, that a joint League of Nations force should be sent to block Italy's communications with Africa and in this way make an early end of the affair. If such action meant a war with Italy, they argue, so would an oil embargo, and the League might as well take the Roman bull by the horns immediately. However, we advocate nothing so drastic. Our purpose in raising this much argued subject is simply to make it clear that whether or not Italy is winning the war in Ethiopia, it does not alter the League's duty in the matter. The League cannot compromise with Italy. Poverty does not excuse thievery, nor does starvation make murder less a crime. Although these truisms are accepted in the social scheme of things, it would appear that where nations are concerned there are still some who believe that they are entitled to whatever they can take by force, and that they can excuse their lawlessness with a plea of necessity. It is for the League to teach that this belief is erroneous, even if it comes to wielding the stick.

a sorry day for Britain should she at this juncture abandon that attitude.

the stage version of the play as a whole, he would produce a result which is neither good drama nor good film.

SOME stand out very clearly: the great song of welcome to Theseus; Bottom's panic at finding himself transformed into an ass; his awakening from the dream and his joy at seeing his own face in the woodland pool; Titania and the Indian boy; the dancing of Nini Theilade; the grotesque dwarfs of Fairyland; the moods and charm of Horatio; the angry lovers losing themselves and each other in the mist; and, underneath all, the sound of Mendelssohn's music.

The interest, therefore, in this first serious attempt to film a Shakespeare will be threefold: First, to see how Max Reinhardt can transmute the stage drama of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" into film drama.

Secondly, how he creates the effects of mood and atmosphere which Shakespeare could evolve by poetry alone.

And, thirdly, what impression the film leaves as a work of art in itself.

THERE is no standard treatment or ritual performance of any of Shakespeare's plays; even on the stage the interest of each fresh treatment lies in the way in which old and familiar scenes are given novelty, charm, and new significance.

A film of Shakespeare will be an entirely new and different experience from any acted play. It will not be a substitute either for stage production or for reading, but, if well done, will add to the enjoyment of both, for it is an interpretation presented not in the form of a critical appreciation in words but in pictures and music.

In some respects, indeed, the film has great advantage over the theatre, for it is not circumscribed by the size of the stage. There is no end or limit to scenes of pageantry and magnificence, such as the wedding of Theseus, or the woodland settings in all variety which are needed for the misfortunes of the lovers or the revels of Fairyland.

I have been privileged to see a private showing of Max Reinhardt's interpretation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

To those of us who believe that the enjoyment of Shakespeare should be spread wide, Reinhardt's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is as important an event in the educational as in the film world,

and entirely different from all expectation. The film is so full of unexpected beauties and rich opinion.

ALL MILK AND MONEY

HONGKONG speculators have lost a lot of money trying to make a lot of money during the past three or four weeks.

It only goes to prove that the banks are the only people who know how to play safe. Big steel-lined ones, with massive doors.



"I know my husband's speech by heart. Would it be all right if I delivered it instead?"

We never did care for exchange gambling when we wanted flutter.

We felt much more sure of our ground when we were running a poker school, or a two-up game, or the fan-joint at Shum, Chun.

We even tried our hand at running a roulette house once. The only thing that jarred during the whole of the time it was open was that George, our assistant, would insist on riding on the roulette wheel. Ultimately we had a special roulette wheel made for him, and our clients used to gamble on which hole he would roll into when the wheel slowed down.

One day he had fifty cents on the black and dislocated his hips trying to roll into the right hole. He has never been the same since.

We put him on to burying the suitcases, but he used to upset the customers too much, tramping around the room with his shovel over his shoulder, and singing out, "Next, please! He was never of much assistance to us in our sporting career.

It was just the same when we were running a shut-the-door and butter-scotch tournament. (Battledore and shuttle-cock, thank you.) On the eve of the finals he left the door of the cage open and all our shuttle-cocks got out. It spoilt everything.

People who had booked ringside seats months in advance demanded their money back. There was a riot at the box office and the I.G.P. came to us and said, "I'm afraid I can't hold them back much longer."

So then George said he could quieten the crowd by singing them a pathetic song about mother and silvery hair and being far away from home and all that. Well, we let him have a shot at it, and by the time they had finished with him they were too exhausted to do anything else and we were able to escape.

We took our pal flowers and fruit while he was in hospital, but he didn't seem to be grateful. There's not much gratitude and kindness in this world. You ask them for bread and they give you fourteen lbs.

It only goes to show that speculators have a hard time all round, and that unony lies the head that wears five bob and—Well, anyway, it only goes to show!

"MUSICAL CHAIRS"**Hongkong A.D.C. Stages Fine Show**

When "Musical Chairs" takes its place in future programmes under the "Past Productions" column, it needs to be printed in three colours and capital letters. For all the Hongkong A.D.C. achievements it is unquestionably the finest.

Last night's dress rehearsal at China Fleet Club was a brilliant success. It proved that the A.D.C. had scored again in choice of material, selection of cast and superb producing.

It is a magnificently balanced cast who give model and sincere treatment to their characterisations. E. G. Smith-Wright scores a big hit and is clearly one of the most accomplished actors ever to appear on the local amateur boards. Appealing performances are also given by E. W. Hamilton, Eva J. Paget, Susie Rossi and Harry Odell. The play is adequately mounted and has been rehearsed and produced with such meticulous care and skill that it offers practically no loop holes for criticism.

The first performance of this play which succeeds in combining wit, charm, sophistry, drama and tragedy in an amazingly enthralling manner, will be given this evening in the China Fleet Club. It is a play which simply must not be missed.

A full critique will appear in tomorrow's issues of the Telegraph.—S. A. G.

LABOURITES LAUGH**WHY IS THE FLEET AT ALEXANDRIA?**

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 17. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, answering in the House of Commons to-day a Labourites question as to why the Fleet was concentrated at Alexandria, said: "It was originally planned that the Fleet should leave Malta on August 26 and visit ports of the Mediterranean, including Italy. But in view of the hostile press campaign against Britain, the visit to Italy would be inopportune. Therefore the cruise was confined to the eastern Mediterranean, Alexandria being the only port capable of holding a large number of ships in winter conditions." Labourites laughed derisively at this explanation.—United Press.

RAIL FARE BY INSTALMENT**BRITISH FIRMS TO SELL TRAVEL STAMPS**

London, Dec. 17. An ingenious scheme for payments of railway fares by instalments is announced by two of the main line railways.

Booking offices will sell "chillings" (travel stamps). A card of ten such stamps can be exchanged for a ten shillings' voucher, which will bear interest so that in six months it will be worth 19 shillings and 3 pence. Vouchers and stamped cards may be used at any time for purchases of all descriptions of single or return tickets, except season tickets.—British Wireless.

P. & O. SERVICE WITHDRAWAL**DOMINIONS. CONSIDER QUESTION**

London, Dec. 17. The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, was questioned in the House of Commons regarding the decision of the Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company to withdraw its services of ships between Australia, New Zealand, San Francisco and Vancouver, on account of subsidised foreign competition.

He said the position of the British lines could not be under discussion between the Government of New Zealand and the Commonwealth of Australia. The underlying was, in view of their special interests in the subject, that the Governments of those Dominions should consider what action they could take to deal with the position. The writer was receiving their consideration.—British Wireless.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TRADE**VIEWS EXCHANGED ON AGREEMENT**

London, Dec. 17. The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, in a written reply to a Parliamentary question as to whether any discussions were in progress with a view to an Anglo-American Trade Agreement, said following its declared policy the Government has under constant review the possibility of negotiating trade agreements with foreign countries.

Informal exchanges had accordingly taken place from time to time with a view to ascertaining whether a basis existed for negotiations between the United Kingdom and the United States, but these exchanges had been of an exploratory nature.—British Wireless.

CANTON'S ACTIVITIES**THE MAYOR'S INTERESTING REVIEW**

Canton, Dec. 17. At the weekly memorial service of the Southwest Political Council, the Mayor Mr. Liu Chi-wen gave a report on the activities of the Municipal Government during the last two months.

The Bureau of Social Affairs has been actively carrying on relief work in aid of the homeless and the poor. Five sheds have been erected to shelter them, and winter coats and congee distributed.

An regards mass marriage, the first mass wedding took place on the 1st of this month, with 168 persons participating.

The second wedding had been set for March 1, 1936. He expressed the hope that the second mass wedding would witness more couples than the first.

To promote the sale of native goods, the Municipal Government is expanding the Native Goods Emporium by adding more stalls. These additional stalls will be available next February.

Regarding the revision of the regulations governing the building of houses, Mayor Liu stated that they had been approved by the Provincial Government and will be enforced on February 1 next year. Also, traffic regulations on land have been formulated and will be submitted to the Provincial Government for approval.

Mayor Liu also touched on the work of deepening the East Mount and the reclamation of the Inner Harbour area in Honan. Over 700 metres of the embankment of the mount has been completed and the bridges are now in the process of construction. Wharfs and warehouses will in due course be erected.

Concerning the refunding of the private shares of the Water Supply Company, the Mayor said that the 8th term refunding began on September 23 and closed on November 20, the total amount repaid being \$63,804.

The Municipal Government is planning the establishment of an infant nursery and a park at Polokok.

As regards the city's finance, the total revenue of the past five months was \$2,787,452.13, an against an expenditure of \$2,789,632.76. Of the latter more than \$1,234,000 was spent on education.

The 7th Municipal Athletic Meet will be opened on December 17. It will last for 4 days. The total number of students who have entered is over 4,000.—Central Press.

"LOLOMA" SCHOOL**CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN BY PUPILS**

A most enjoyable treat was given at St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday afternoon, when the pupils of the "Loloma" Kindergarten, assisted by Mrs. Douglas Orr, the Directress, presented a Christmas entertainment for their parents.

Much good work is being done at this kindergarten for children who are too young to enter the bigger schools and too old to be playing about all day.

Mrs. Orr and her assistants, Mrs. E. Wanless and the Misses Ruth Ingram, Brenda Kirke, Maisie Tilbury and Joy Booker, are to be congratulated on their fine work in assisting the children to produce such an enjoyable entertainment.

It is not often that young children stage such an ambitious effort as the "Loloma" children did yesterday. They can act, sing and dance, and their fine sense of time and rhythm was displayed in the various numbers given by the Percussion Band.

Sitting in a circle, some of the children sang nursery rhymes which were acted by other pupils.

An action song, "I'll Telephone to Santa Claus," was then played by Arthur Bates, Gilbert Caffyn, Sara Coventry and others. This was followed by a Nativity play in mime "The Little King," in which nine children appeared as the shepherds, Wise Men and children.

"The Girl and the Rabbit," a delightful little dance arranged by Mr. George Goncharoff, was executed by Dolores Lanchett and Waldy Cers, followed by the show of the evening, "The Elves and the Shoemakers." This play was acted on the stage and was really a splendid effort for such young performers. There was acting by the tired shoemakers, dancing by the ballet girls (arranged by Miss Vera Volkova), singing by all and surprise shown by the shoemakers when they found that the little elves had mended all their shoes.

At the conclusion, the children presented gifts to their parents and, later, Santa Claus (the Rev. J. R. Higgs) arrived with a sack full of lovely playthings for the kiddies.

EMPIRE BROADCAST

London, Dec. 17. The speeches on the occasion of the inauguration of the King George V Jubilee Forest will be relayed from Nazareth, on Transmission 2, on December 19 at 12.45 p.m.—British Wireless.

COUNCIL INAUGURATED

Shanghai, Dec. 18. The Nippon Denshi correspondent states the Charbin-Hopai Political Council was inaugurated today, with fourteen of the seventeen members present.—United Press.

The Manila Observatory, reporting at 8.15 a.m., states that there is a typhoon in about 145 long., 11 Lat., moving N.W.

ALLEGED PLOTTER**EXTRADITION CASE EVIDENCE**

No facts relating to the actual case were disclosed; only evidence of identity was taken at the first hearing of the extradition proceedings against Yu Lap-fui, alias Li Ch'en, alias Li Shek-yu, aged 47, who is being sought by the Nanking Government on a charge of conspiracy to murder Wang Ching-wel, at Nanking.

The case was heard by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. D. L. Strellett conducted the case for the Crown and Mr. P. H. Sin appeared for the fugitive.

Mr. Strellett said that the evidence of identity consisted principally of that of a man named Ching Yick-chun, who claimed to have known the fugitive intimately over a period of four years—first in Shanghai, about four years ago, and secondly during a period of three or four months in 1934 and again over a period of four or five months this year, when that witness was staying in Hongkong and met the fugitive as much as once or twice a week. Ching would say in evidence that he knew the fugitive by the name of Yu Lap-fui, and during his visits Hongkong in 1934-5 he heard the fugitive being frequently called by that name, and also by the name of Li Ch'en, and sometimes referred to the fugitive's moustache.

Suspected Man Watched

Mr. Strellett said that evidence would be given that on November 21 a warrant was issued for the arrest of Yu Lap-fui, and that Police officers first obtained a description of the man from the witness Ching. The Crown attached great importance to the fact that the description was first given. Later in the day the Police watched an address, which had been given to them by some other person, at No. 7 Sharp Street. During the course of the afternoon, they saw three men enter the address, one of whom appeared to answer the description given them. For about three hours the first floor of No. 7 Sharp Street was kept under close observation. Wharfs and warehouses in the house were closely observed. About 6.30 p.m., the senior Police officer present came to the conclusion that they had the right man, and sent for Ching. Ching arrived at the post of observation about 7 p.m. At the time it was getting dark, and a light was on in the front room of the house under observation. Ching watched the men in the room for about fifteen minutes, and then called out that the man who had come out on the verandah was Yu Lap-fui. The Police officers saw that this was the same as the person they had suspected during the afternoon.

No further step was taken that afternoon, but the house was kept under constant observation, and evidence would be given by the Police that they were satisfied the suspected man had not left the house at all that night. About 11.50 p.m. the following day the fugitive was arrested in Johnston Road. When he was charged, he denied he was Yu Lap-fui, and said he was Li Ch'en.

Search of Premises

Detective Sergeant Meadows made a search of the first floor of No. 7 Sharp Street, and in the front room he found a photograph of the fugitive on the mantelpiece. In an inner room on a small table, was an empty ashtray case, and by its side a pile of documents, a number of which were purely of a domestic character. But among them were four documents which were taken by the Police, and another photograph of the fugitive.

Mr. Sin, interposing, asked whether Mr. Strellett was going to produce evidence of identification or to commence with the case, and if so, he would like to hear briefly the nature of the evidence against his client in support of the charge, in order to enable him to see what was the case he had to meet and how to cross examine the witnesses.

Nature of Documents

Mr. Strellett said it was impossible at the present stage to state the case against the fugitive. The most important thing was the question of identity. He could assure Mr. Sin that no time would be lost when particulars were available for his giving the outlines of the nature of the evidence to be adduced against the fugitive. There was no likelihood of the documents, which he was now alluding to, being used in connection with anything else than identity. One of the documents in question was a declaration of brotherhood, and there was an envelope addressed to Mrs. Yu, wife of the fugitive. There was another envelope also addressed to Madame Yu, and another letter for her. On that evidence, the Crown would ask that the coincidence would be far too great to dismiss the certainty that the man Yu Lap-fui was the person sought after.

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STEEL AND IRON PRODUCTION

London, Dec. 17. The production of steel ingots and castings in the United Kingdom in November amounted to 902,900 tons, compared with 907,500 tons in October, and 760,000 tons in November, 1934. The production of pig iron amounted to 522,100 tons, against 544,300 and 507,600 tons respectively.

The production of steel bars amounted to 1,007,000 tons, against 1,000,000 tons in November, 1934.

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FAR EAST LAWN BOWLS AMALGAMATION SCHEME

To Be Placed Before English Bowling Association

**MR. B. MAUGHAN
OPTIMISTIC**

**IN DIRECT TOUCH WITH
E.B.A. PRESIDENT**

SHANGHAI VERY INTERESTED

(By "Veritas")

The scheme for the formation of a Far East Lawn Bowls Association to be affiliated to the International Bowling Board, which emanated from Mr. B. E. Maughan and which has received the enthusiastic support of Shanghai, Hankow, and Singapore, is still progressing.

The latest development is that full details of the scheme have been submitted by Mr. Maughan to Mr. Cross, the now President of the English Bowling Association to be placed before that august body for consideration.

Mr. Maughan hopes, that with the sympathetic influence of Mr. Cross the E.B.A. will see fit to approve of the proposals at its next meeting in January and to support its adoption by the I.B.B.

The scheme which seeks to place all lawn bowls activities in the Far East under one controlling body, is already well known locally, and has been fully approved by the Hongkong L.B.A.

**SHANGHAI EXTRAORDINARILY
KEEN ON SCHEME**

**ELIMINATION OF "LEFT WING"
OBJECTIONS DESIRABLE**

Although representatives of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association met with disappointment in their efforts during the Interport visit to open negotiations with the Colony Association on the subject of the projected Far Eastern Lawn Bowls Association, the scheme has by no means been abandoned and *The Shanghai Times* understands that the subject is being raised through correspondence during the "off-season."

It was at first hoped that a great deal of the preliminary negotiations between Shanghai and Hongkong on the subject would be effected during the Interport visit, but owing to the crowded schedule created through the late arrival of the Northern side, the round-table conference had to be postponed. There has been a certain amount of scepticism as to the benefit of the formation of the Far East body voiced by a radical element in the Colony, but the plan has met with great favour among the more conservative groups, it is understood, and there should be little difficulty in carrying the proposition through to a satisfactory conclusion.

"LEFT-WING" OBJECTIONS

Objections voiced by the "radicals" of the south are in general opposed to the idea of affiliation with the International Bowling Board, which would standardise the rules of play and allow no "local" rules to creep in for the purposes of competition. These objections, however, are not seriously upheld by the greater number of lawn bowlers, who realise the immense amount of benefit to be gained by formation of the group and its affiliation with the I.B.B.

**SOUTH OF ENGLAND
BADMINTON**

R. C. F. Nichols, the holder, beat G. H. Whittaker, of Derby, by 15-11, 16-15, in the singles final of the South of England Badminton Championships at the Crystal Palace Club, proving himself to be subtle in the use of the drop and sound in clearing to a height and length against a man who was short of practice.

Miss T. Kingsbury, the left-handed South Sea Girl, beat Mrs. H. S. Uber, the holder, by 11-4, 11-4, in the women's singles final, and so far for the second week in success, had the honour of defeating the All-England woman champion.

Ralph Nichols, and his brother, Leslie Nichols, won the doubles cupa outright, beating G. R. Sherwell and G. E. A. Taitz in the final by 15-7, 16-16, 16-9. Mrs. M. Barrett and Mrs. Uber beat Mrs. M. Henderson and Miss T. Kingsbury, holders, by 17-10, 16-14, in the women's doubles final. Ralph Nichols completed the treble by winning the mixed doubles final with Mrs. Uber, from L. Nichols, and Miss Kingsbury by 15-8, 16-7.



This is a copy of the presentation photograph of the Hongkong Police football team made to Mr. D. Burlingham on his retirement from the Police Force. Standing—Moss, Stephens, Gough, McHardy, Brooks, Green, Parker. Sitting—Shepherd, T. Pile, C. Pile, Mr. D. Burlingham, Blackburn, Johnson and G. T. Stokes. (Photo: Ming Yuan).

Australians Heading For Victory

**PILE ON THE
RUNS**

**S. Africa
Behind**

Durban Dec. 17.

South Africa is facing defeat in the first Test Match against the Australians.

Continuing their first innings which had temporarily closed at 280 for 3, the Australians proceeded to aggregate 429 before dismissal.

L. Darling added another nine runs to his overnight score of 51, and Chipperfield scored the second century of the innings with a masterly 109.

BIG LEAD

The Australians thus led by 181 on the first innings. Crisp and Langton shared the wickets, but both suffered from the brilliance of the Australian batting. Langton claimed four victims at a cost of 113 runs, and Crisp secured three for 87.

Needing 182 to save the innings defeat, South Africa hit up 167 for the loss of three wickets before stumps were drawn. Siedle contributed a fine knock of 69, but the home team are still 14 runs in arrears with seven wickets in hand. The match concludes to-morrow.—Reuter.



Chipperfield—He hit up century against the South Africans yesterday.

**JAPANESE RUGBY TEAM
TO VISIT SHANGHAI**

First Appearance On
December 29

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

The visit to Shanghai of a crack Japanese rugby team was virtually assured yesterday when the Shanghai Japanese Amateur Association wired the Rugby Association of Japan an invitation.

If the invitation is accepted, three games will be played here, the Shanghai Nichi-Nichi reports. The first encounter is scheduled to begin at 11 o'clock in the morning of Sunday, Dec. 29. The second is slated for Jan. 2 and the third for Jan. 6.

The Nipponese team, consisting of players from the various Railway Bureau squads throughout the country, will leave Tokyo on Christmas, when Japanese official establishments cease business for the year.

The squad will be captained by Motoharu Igarashi, a graduate of Meiji University and a forward on the Tokyo Railway Bureau XV champion businessmen's team in Nippon.

Negotiations are also being carried on by the S.J.A. A. to bring here the hockey team of Keio University and a "sumo" wrestling aggregation early next year, the Shanghai Nippo states.

CORRESPONDENCE

**Civilians' Hockey
Team**

The Sports Editor
Hongkong Telegraph

Sir,—Having witnessed all the Civilians' hockey trials, and as a lover of the game, I crave your courtesy in allowing me space to express my views on the selected team which appeared in the local press.

The defence in my opinion is sound except that M. H. Hassan of the Radio should have been in the pivotal position with W. Reed on his right or vice-versa. I think gross injustice will be done if Avtar Singh is not given the centre forward position. No

doubt G. Singh is good but the dis-

play he put up showed that he is only faster than Avtar Singh otherwise A. Singh is more tricky and has much better ball control.

I commend following forward line

for the selection committee's due con-

sideration and I hope it is not too late.

Dived, G. Singh, Avtar Singh,

Pinto, Souza.

Although Souza is faster than Souza

but he has a tendency to get off-side

and his stick work is not as good as

Souza's. Furthermore Souza and

Pinto combine well, and the Selectors

would do well to select Souza.

In conclusion I beg to point out that

I am not personally acquainted with

any of the above players. I am only

vocaling my opinion as I would like to

see the best civilian side turned out

against the Services.

Yours etc.,

**LADIES'
TENNIS
TITLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIPS
START SOON**

ENTRIES OPEN

The ladies' singles and doubles championship of Hongkong will be held under auspices of the U.S.R.C. and under the following conditions. Entries are invited.

The Tournament will be conducted under the present rules of Lawn Tennis and the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association.

Each competitor will pay an entrance fee of 5 dollars for each event.

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The first round and byes shall be played off on or before January 25. The second round shall be played off on or before February 5. The competitors shall make their own arrangements as to the ground on which the said rounds shall be played, but the first named in each case shall have choice of ground.

Each competitor will pay an entrance fee of 5 dollars for each event.

The Tennis Sub-Committee of the U.S.R.C. may extend the time limit if they think fit on account of bad weather or other unforeseen occurrence; otherwise players will be scratched if they have not played their games by the date stated.

The semi-finals and finals shall be played on the U.S.R.C. ground on the dates notified by the Tennis Sub-Committee of the U.S.R.C.

Competitors must be on the Court at the hour notified to them.

For each match balls will be provided by the U.S.R.C. On completion of the match, balls will be returned to the Secretary, U.S.R.C.

MRS. PATERSON GIVES CUP

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**RUGBY DEFEAT FOR
CAMBRIDGE**

**LOSE 19-8 TO DUBLIN
UNIVERSITY**

Cambridge—University rugby fifteen visited Dublin to-day and met the University in an annual fixture. But they could make no impression on the Irishmen, who won some what easily by 19 points to eight.—Reuter.

SECOND DIVISION

Blackpool v. Newcastle

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THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

ALDERSHOT v. GILLINGHAM

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COVENTRY v. LUTON

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QUEEN'S P.R. v. SOUTHEND

SWINDON v. BOURNEMOUTH

TORQUAY v. CARDIFF

WATFORD v. NEW BRIGHTON

WREXHAM v. SOUTHPORT

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CARLISLE v. CHESTERFIELD

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HALIFAX v. LINCOLN

HARLEPARK v. STOCKPORT

MANCHESTER v. CANTERBURY

ROtherham v. Accrington

THAINMERE v. TAMESIDE

WALSALL v. NEW BRIGHTON

WREXHAM v. SOUTHPORT

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

AIRDRIE v. CLYDE

ABROATH v. RANGERS

AYR v. QUEEN'S PARK

CELTIC v. ABERDEEN

DUNDEE v. HAMILTON

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MOTHERWELL v. QUEEN'S PARK

PARTICK v. KILMARNOCK

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HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

Adamson Cup Result

Playing in the December qualifying round of the Adamson Cup at Happy Valley, T. B. Low returned the best card, with figures of 85-16-60.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS**L. T. WONG CAPTURES ANOTHER LONG DISTANCE CROWN**

L. T. Wong, holder of the cross-country championship and last winner of the International Walk as well as numerous other titles, added the Western Light Harriers Club cross-country crown to his collection when he romped home an easy winner of the 12-miles grind staged in Shanghai last week between Nantao and Lunghua and back. B. S. Hoo, one of the most promising of China's new runners, came in a good second. Above are the first four, with officials of the race.

BOXING CHALLENGES**Ufa Chan Replies To Prof. Fernandez**

Dear Sir,—In reply to the letter which appeared in your valuable paper re Prof. Fernandez's challenge I am surprised to learn that Prof. Fernandez's boy "Young" Aronin cannot accept "Battling" Chan's offer for the reason that the former "is booked up to fight Scammon Prandy" when the H.K. Boxing Association "not likely promote any fight this year."

Further, as regards Prof. Fernandez's boy (Arteur), "Battling" Rio, whose weight is 135 lbs, to meet my boy "Sky" Lee I am glad to say that this can be arranged, even if it is a handicap of 7 lbs. weight on the latter, should Prof. Fernandez get in touch with me.

Apart from the above I now write to ask Prof. Fernandez, taking that he conditionally accepted the challenge and the purse is "tempting enough" and guaranteed, how long would it take to prepare for the fight after he has "not been in training for the last seven years" in spite of the fact that he calls himself an "veteran local boxer" and gains "the reputation as a trainer." But, in any case, time does not matter very much if Prof. Fernandez is really keen in doing so.

As I do not want to waste the valuable columns in the newspaper I now cut the story short by asking Prof. Fernandez to communicate with me directly at the San Lok Motor Company, Great George Street, Wan-chai, to make further arrangements as far as these challenges are concerned.—Yours, etc.

UFA CHAN.

RIFLE SHOOTING**Reserves Emergency Unit Wins**

A revolver shooting match with .32 calibre weapons was held on Sunday at Kennedy Road Range, between members of the Hongkong Police Reserve Emergency Unit and the Naval Picket. Five platoons were fired, consisting of one Application at 10 yards, a moving target at 10 yards, one application at 15 yards and a stationary target at 10 yards six rounds to be fired in 5 seconds.

The scores were:

Naval Picket	Police Reserves
118	Murray 77
82	Simmons 113
73	Tansley 123
61	Tipple 112
40	Lely 95
40	Frost 91
414	Total 611

EXCITING FINISH TO CRICKET MATCH**R.A.M.C. WIN LEAGUE POINTS BY NARROWEST OF MARGINS****ENGINEERS PUT UP FINE DISPLAY**

What must be one of the closest finishes seen at Soekunpoo was staged yesterday when the R.A.M.C. entertained the Royal Engineers in a Division II fixture. Batting first the Medicals scored 113, largely due to the batting of Morris (27) and a bright knock of nineteen by Saunders, who hit Wateridge for four successive fours in one over. Thompson batted very steadily for a useful twenty not out.

Shipp bowled exceptionally well for the Engineers taking 5 wickets for two runs a piece.

The Engineers, with an hour and a half to score, 113, set about their task in not too happy a manner. Captain Foley being bowled by Apps with a proper "snorter" with only 4 runs on the board. Sgt. Daniels played a fine innings of 38 before he was caught by Morris off Apps. With the score at 88 for five, and forty-five minutes left for play, it looked as though the Engineers were going to pull off another easy win, but things did not work out that way, and when the last over was signalled five runs were required to win and two wickets to fall, off the second ball due to a smart return by Saunders. Morris whipped off the balls, and the score read 108 for 9 and four balls to come, Apps third ball was off for three, and with three balls to come three were required to win.

Apps fourth ball completely defeated the batsman, and the Medicals had won by the close margin of two runs.

Full credit must go to the Medicals for their fielding. It was excellent.

Morris behind the stumps had a very creditable afternoon, conceding only three bycs, catching three behind the stumps and stumping one. Apps as usual bowled very well taking six wickets for forty one runs. All the more credit is taken by the Medicals for their fine win, seeing that they played without the services of their Star all rounder Major V. J. Bonavia, Capt. Trimble, and Sgt. Lewis.

Much must be said for the sporting attitude adopted by the Engineers, who quite easily could have sat on the splice, and played the game to a draw, but instead they went out for the runs, in a most sporting effort to pull off a win and very nearly did.

R.A.M.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Westwood, c Kirke, b Shipp	—	—	—	—
Cat, c Shipp	—	—	—	—
Foster, c and b Hoddinot	—	—	—	—
Bond, b Shipp	—	—	—	—
May, b Shipp	—	—	—	—
Extras	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	113

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Moreton	4	1	15	—
Hoddinot	8	1	31	1
Bradford	4	1	11	—
Wateridge	7	1	40	3
Shipp	8.5	3	10	5

Royal Engineers

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Foley, b Apps	—	—	—	1
Daniels, c Morris, b Apps	—	—	—	33
McKee, c Howells, b Saunders	16	—	—	—
Col. E. St. G. Kirk, b Apps	17	—	—	—
Wateridge, c Morris, b Apps	—	—	—	—
Dudley, b Apps	6	—	—	—
Warr, b Apps	—	—	—	14
Collins, c Morris, b Westwood	—	—	—	2
Shipp, c Snookes, b Westwood	4	—	—	—
Hoddinot, run out	—	—	—	1
Bradford, not out	—	—	—	1
Extras	—	—	—	10

Total**Bowling Analysis**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Apps	11	1	41	6
Snookes	9	—	26	—
Saunders	3	—	10	1
Westwood	5	1	23	2

CORRESPONDENCE**Poverty In Hongkong**(To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir.—The recent article on infant mortality and your leader in yesterday's paper are calculated to shake anyone's complacency.

The magnitude of the task and the limited resources available to meet it make anything but a partial solution of the problem of poverty in Hongkong beyond us. Societies do splendid work, but they cannot, to use your own words, do more than touch the fringe of the trouble. You argue it is economic, but the writer feels this is only a half truth.

The source of poverty is largely due to reckless breeding. Children are born to parents who are quite un-

W. A. Reed and R. A. Bates; K. C. Woodhouse, S. A. Fowler, G. E. H. Divett, D. Carey and D. J. Nooy.

R. E. DEFEAT POLICE "A"

In a Mamak tournament game played at the Police Training School yesterday, the Police "A" team lost to the Royal Engineers by one goal to nil. The game was fast and exciting, and the exchanges were even.

The Police were rather unlucky in losing as they had an equal share of the play, but their forwards were weak in finishing.

The Engineers gave an impressive display; their forwards showed splendid combination while their defence worked energetically throughout and covered their citadel in a capable manner.

able to provide for them. The gigantic task awaits reformers of making the more irresponsible elements realize that so long as the birth rate remains unregulated poverty and destitution will defy solution.

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Mr. S. F. Lam's Address

The Rev. Thomas O'melia, M.M., addressed the audience in Chinese and introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. S. F. Lam, P.I.D. Mr. Lam said:

I am very pleased to be here on this Red-letter Day of the Holy Spirit School. I personally know that this school is very successfully managed, because two of my children have had the privilege of being its students. I take this opportunity to congratulate the Head Mistress and her staff as well as the students upon the good work they have done. I thank the teachers and the students for having put up such an enjoyable entertainment as we had this evening. I wish to say a few words specially to the students. This school may be compared to an auction room where your teachers are the auctioneers. They hold up certain good things and solicit your bids. Those of you who make the highest bids are sure to receive the best credits and the sum total of these credits determine the fate of your future life. The things which your teachers have to offer are neither gold nor silver; but happiness and usefulness.

Experience has convinced me no less than most other people that human life, especially after school days, is a series of problems which constantly call for logical solution. There is struggle after struggle and it is a battle we all have to fight. In order to win our way through difficulties, we must "make hay while the sun shines."

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The Prize List

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Prizes for Highest General Average: Class 2, Laura Luk; Class 3, Regina Lau; Class 4, Annie Wong; Class 5, Frances Au; Class 6, Jessie Seu; Class 6B, Florence Ho; The Special Class, Jean Tam; Class 7, Anita Ip; Class 8, Nana Hui; Class 9, Joyce Chan; Class 10, Winnie Seu; Standard II, Stella Sedick; Standard I, Alexander Chun.

Prizes for Chinese Upper Chung Hok: First, Regina Lau; Second, Laura Luk; Lower Chung Hok: First, Frances Au; Second, Gertrude Ip; Sixth year, Iris Tsang; Fifth year, Anna Leung; Fourth year, Rose Tsang; Third year, Mary Leung; Second year, Catherine Tsang; First year, Ronny Luk.

Prizes for Oral English: Bessie Seu, Lily Tong, Alma Chin.

Prizes for Drawing: May Fung, Lily Tong, Marie Tam.

Prize for Sewing: Marianne Tam.

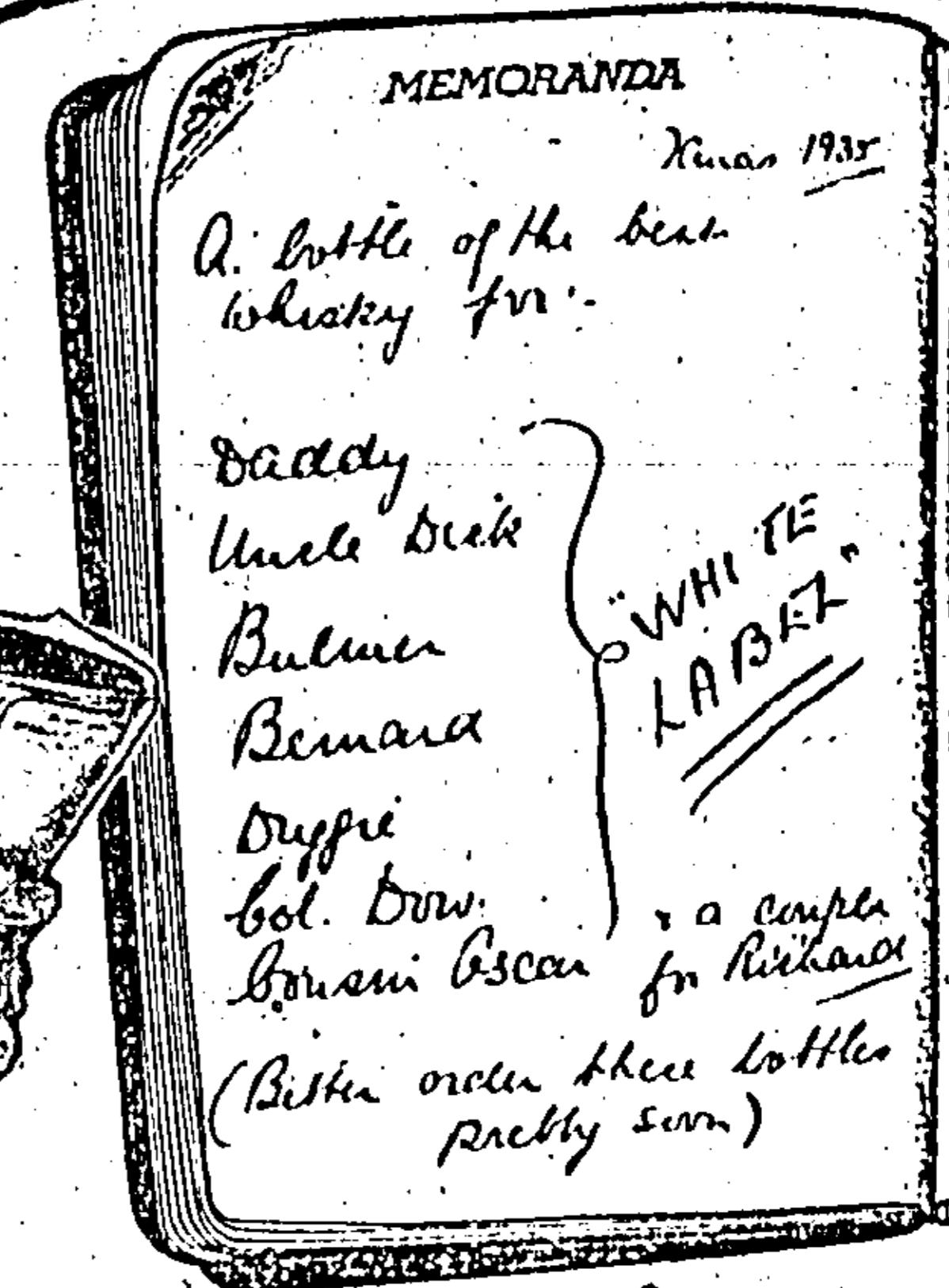
Prize for Perfect Attendance: Adelie Lee, Laura Luk, Angela Luk, Lois Wong, Annie Wong, Lillian Ip, Marion Kong, Norma Chan, Anna Funk, Barbara Chan, Anita Ip, Teresa Leung, Joan Lo, Nancy Li.

GREEK ASSEMBLY

NEW ELECTION EARLY NEXT YEAR

Athens, Dec. 17. The failure of M. Demotis to have an audience with the King this morning resulted in a decree being signed dissolving the National Assembly, and for the election of a new Parliament to be held on January 26 or February 2, probably with proportional representation.—Reuters' Special.

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TIENTSIN BOMB EXPLOSION

GENERAL TADA'S HOUSE ESCAPES

Tientsin, Dec. 17. A bomb exploded in a house near the residence of General Hayao Tada, Commander of the Japanese troops in North China, and critically injured three Chinese. The house has been vacant for a long time. But recently it was rented. The Chinese went there to clean up the place while sweeping the ground a packago exploded.—United Press.

Later. Only a narrow alley separates the demolished house from General Tada's residence. In the rear of the same Chinese court-yard stands a two-storeyed house, from the verandah of which one can see into Gen-

eral Tada's mansion. Gendarmes are at present investigating. Windows of the adjoining houses were shattered. Two of the victims are not expected to live.—United Press.

Mysterious "Parcel"

Tientsin, Dec. 17. One Chinese workman was killed and two were seriously injured in the explosion which occurred in the residence of General Tada, reported to have been formerly occupied by Liu Wei-tang, and is adjacent to General Tada's residence in the Japanese Concession.

It appears that house cleaners were preparing the house for a novitiate when they saw the parcel, which aroused their curiosity, but upon being picked up the parcel exploded.—Seutter.

News Propaganda

Tientsin, Dec. 17. Japanese consular police instructed the Japanese newspapers to play

down the bomb, urging them to report that it was due to spontaneous combustion, although privately admitting that it was a bomb.—United Press.

Tokyo's Concern

Tokyo, Dec. 17. An official statement from the Foreign Office said to-day that the Japanese Army was watching with serious concern the student rioting in North China.

Meanwhile, they were fully prepared to take whatever action was necessary in the event of the movement threatening the safety of Japanese residents' properties or other interests. Although the present reports do not indicate that such expansion is likely in the near future, the Army realises that anything is possible.

In the event that the riots are of a spasmodic nature, and will soon subside, the Army will be little concerned

However, it believes danger lies in a continuation of disturbances, with the possibility of the lower class of the citizens joining and giving the events a menacing character.

Some individuals believe that certain cliques very close to the Kuomintang are participating, and possibly directing the student activities.—United Press.

Not a Good Start

Tokyo, Dec. 17. The Asahi, in an editorial, says to-day that the new North China Government has not made a good start, and that it is seemingly still under Nanking influence.

"Under such circumstances we must expect dangers, in the event of our attempting to negotiate in matters concerning North China. Nanking should avoid making this another Foreign Political Council, which was a complete failure."—United Press.

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Now York via Panama. Fri., 27th Dec.
Noshiro Maru Tuesdays, 14th Jan.
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SERIAL STORY

BARGAIN BRIDE

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BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

HARRETT DOLVIN, back in New York after four years, finds himself much attracted by 22-year-old ELLIOR STAFFORD. Barrett by her beauty, and has made himself as an archaeologist, Ellior's mother, LIDA HUFFORD, is beautiful and, because she wants attention for herself, has forced her daughter to wear unbecoming clothes and keep in the background. Her schemes constantly to keep in the limelight of her husband's family, Mrs. ELLA SIXTON, in order to inherit a share of the husband's fortune.

Barrett's half-sister, MARIA RADNOR, tells her that her husband has been unfaithful. When before Barrett shielded him, when a youthful flirtation ended suddenly, Maria had a son whom he adopted. The boy is now 12 years old now and his tutor, HAROLD DEXTER, has threatened Maria with blackmail. She declares that her husband learns the truth he will never forgive her.

Barrett goes to visit nine-year-old GERALD, his son. He has decided to discharge his tutor and find a new home for his son. His calls on Miss Ella Sexton tell him she cannot decide to leave him to leave her money. Barrett comes to advise her. As he is leaving he sees Lida Stafford, Ellior's mother, who makes love to her and tries to persuade her to go to Ellior. Gerald, who follows her, says he will follow later.

CHAPTER VIII

Sunday morning Higgins appeared with a card upon which was engraved the name, "Mr. Harold Dexter."

"Show the young man in," Higgins said Barrett as he laid the card on the tray from which he'd taken it. He waited, standing, chin hardened. A moment and Harold Dexter appeared in the doorway; a bottle-shouldered young man whose pallor was increased by dark, horn-rimmed glasses. There was an oily, nervous smile on his weak face.

"And what can I do for you, Mr. Dexter?" Barrett asked without pre-facing greeting.

"I want a chance to talk with you, Mr. Colvin."

"You have it."

"May I sit down?"

Harold Dexter settled himself in a chair. Barrett, waiting, wondered how he could ever have been deceived by the young man for a moment. Dexter was not sufficiently strong even to be a successful criminal.

The newcomer moistened his lips. "I didn't like my... dismissed, Mr. Colvin," he began.

"I don't like you or you would not have had your dismissal," Barrett responded with equal frankness.

"Why don't you like me, Mr. Colvin?"

"Because, for one thing, you're a liar. You told my sister I hadn't paid your salary. You know you were paid well and on the dot." It should have been paid well! It isn't everyone who'll take charge of a child whose parentage is unknown. I had in my keeping the honour of your family, Mr. Colvin. One is sometimes compensated for such trusts."

"You, if one is a blackmailer? You know blackmail is a prison offence?"

Barrett questioned evenly.

For a moment Dexter shrank. Then he smiled. "I will deal with your sister, Mrs. Radnor, if you don't wish to deal with me."

Barrett's face changed. A surge of blood seemed to swell it and harden it.

"Or with Mr. Radnor," Dexter went on, menacingly.

"On what terms?" Barrett asked. His voice, he realized, was not betraying his anger.

"On terms Mr. Radnor should decide when he learns the truth. I know the story, Mr. Colvin. I have taken pains to look it up! I will say that you managed the affair very well indeed!"

"You will spare me your comments if you don't wish to be knocked down!" Barrett said hoarsely. No cloaking his anger now. His hands, wet-palmed, were clenched. Every inch of his more than six feet of hard-muscled, sparse being was tense and strained, aching to strike and strike hard.

"Lon Moore's death was fortunate," the other drawled, smiling.

"Not so fortunate as yours would be," Barrett heard himself say.

Dexter's voice continued. "Say \$10,000 for the moment, Mr. Colvin?"

"Ah, so it is blackmail!" Now was the time to tackle this thing once and for all. "So it's blackmail,"

Barrett repeated. "I've reminded you that's a prison offence. The police will act quite promptly, I'm sure. I understand they are rather anxious to talk to you."

The older man's surprise was obvious. His oily face whitened.

"What?" he exclaimed.

"We can settle this very promptly!"

Barrett continued. He moved toward the telephone. "Blackmail and one or two other little affairs, Mr. Dexter. Oh, yes, while you've been picking up my private history I've been looking up yours. Yes, I think the police will be glad to see you."

Bluff—all of it bluff, but it was working. Dexter was on his feet now.

"Look here, Mr. Colvin, you're not going to call the police, are you?"

"I certainly am."

"But think of your family, your sister—"

"There is nothing about this affair that can affect my sister. I have been threatened with blackmail and you will suffer the consequences."

Aside from this crime you have just attempted I will give the police the other information that has come to me recently. I'm not sure of the sentence but it's certain to be a long one," Mr. Dexter. Ten years, I imagine."

Barrett had taken a chance, was fighting fire with fire and seemed to be winning. The creature before him had become suddenly transformed. He trembled and his eyes were distorted. "Don't do it, Mr. Colvin!" he cried. "Don't telephone the police. I didn't



Barrett said boldly, "Do you know I'm going to drive you home?"

mean to harm you. It's just that—I wanted the money. If you'll let me get away I swear I won't make any trouble."

Colvin smiled. His hand was on the telephone. "I'm quite sure of it," he said steadily. "Because you see, you can't. The tale you proposed to carry to Mr. Radnor would only cause him to do the same thing I am doing—notify the authorities."

"Don't, Mr. Colvin! Give me another chance. I'll never bother you again!"

"And why should I believe that?"

"I swear it! I swear to God, Mr. Colvin!"

Fifteen minutes later Barrett was alone. He stood at the window, staring down at the street. He hoped he had done the right thing but how could he be sure? Was Marcia really in love? Her baby was to be born in January. Perhaps it would have been better to pay the \$10,000. If Dexter should find out that his threats were all a bluff—!

"Has your mother been troubled with the cough long, Ellior?" Miss Ella asked, sharp eyes on the shrinking girl.

"Yes—Aunt Ella."

"She wrote me that Dr. Simpson said a change of climate is necessary to her recovery from a nagging cough."

"Oh," Ellior murmured. She looked surprised and then flushed to stare down at her cup. She should be used to such lies, she realized, but she never did grow used to it and she hated it.

"Has your mother been troubled with the cough long, Ellior?" Miss Ella asked, sharp eyes on the shrinking girl.

"Hum—!" Miss Ella murmured as she sensed the fact that another lie had been told for her benefit. "Did you go to church this morning, my dear?"

"No, Aunt Ella."

"Well, neither did I," said Barrett. He smiled, amazingly but Miss Ella's expression remained stern.

When Ellior rose an hour later Barrett, looking down at her, said boldly, "Do you know I'm going to drive you home?"

"Are you?" she answered, pleased.

"I wish you would," Barrett put in.

Miss Ella. "I don't like to have her abroad alone as the dusk falls. In my day such a thing was unheard-of."

Barrett Colvin found himself for the first time approving wholeheartedly of Miss Ella's Victorian standards. How little the girl seemed beside him!

"Shall we go?" he asked.

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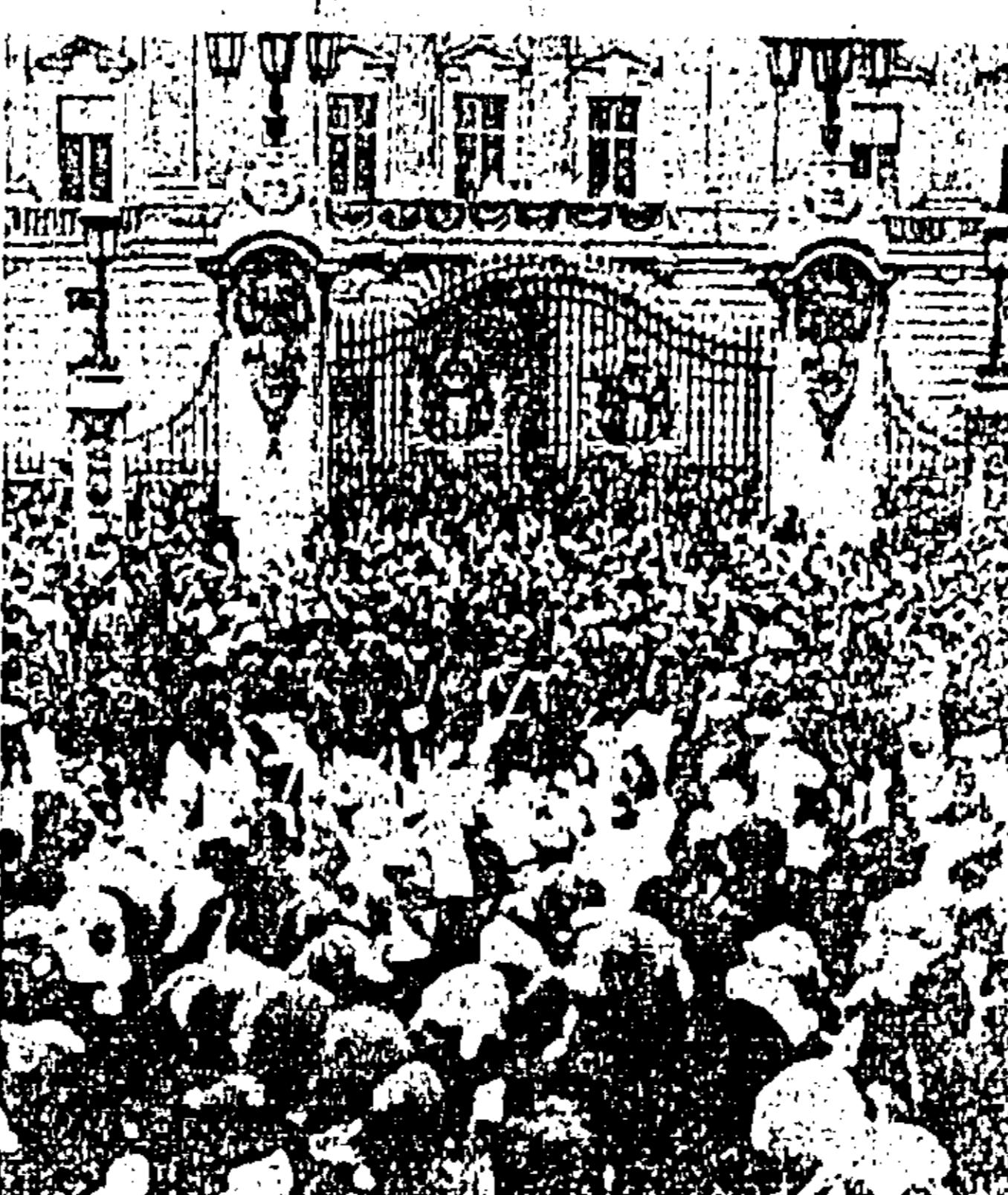
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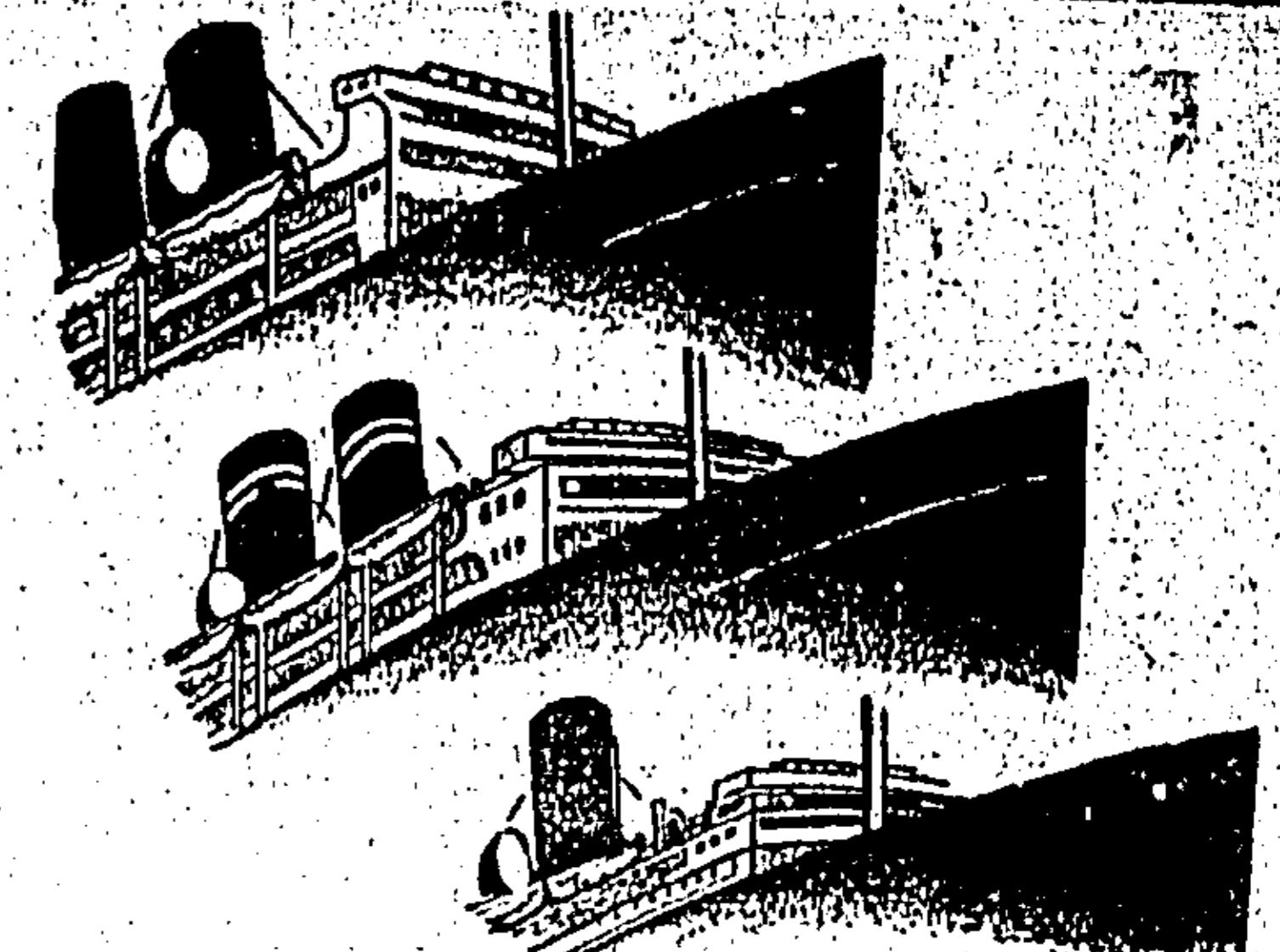
Though it was a quiet wedding held in Buckingham palace chapel, thousands of people stood outside the gates when the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Montagu-Canterbury were married on November 6. Here are first pictures of the royal couple taken immediately after the ceremony which was performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury. TOP, the bridal party, from LEFT to RIGHT, BACK ROW, Miss Claire Phipps, Lady Elizabeth Scott, Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Gloucester, the new Duchess of Gloucester, His Majesty the King, Lady Angela Scott and Miss Moy Scott. In the FRONT ROW, from LEFT to RIGHT are Lady Mary Cambridge, Princess Elizabeth of York, Princess Margaret Rose of York and Miss Ann Hawkins. BELOW, LEFT, the happy royal couple waving to the huge throngs from Buckingham Palace balcony. A section of the crowd is shown at RIGHT.



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MAN'S EVOLUTION

H.K. MAY BE HOME OF DISCOVERY

The clue to the evolution of man may lie in Hongkong or China, declared Professor J. L. Shellshar in his address to the Hongkong Rotary Club yesterday, on "Recent discoveries relating to the evolution of man."

The long-followed trail of scientific research in Europe was shifting to the East, the Professor said, and the brains and influence of Governments and universities were concentrating here for new data.

The speaker was introduced by Professor L. Forster, President of the Club, who said that Professor Shellshar was leaving the Colony shortly for Australia. During his stay in Hongkong he had done valuable archaeological and research work in conjunction with leading authorities.

In his talk Professor Shellshar said that he had already packed his books when he was invited to speak, and his listeners must bear with him if he made any inaccuracies. He had just addressed the Rotary Club on the evolution of the human brain, and on that occasion had been able to show them a series of beautifully graded brain casts which were without any "missing links." There it had seemed that they were getting near to the solution of the origin of man and, with the discovery of the Man of Pekin, it was thought that a primitive type had been found from which man had been derived. Since then, however, there had been recent finds in different parts of the world which were of the utmost importance.

Scientists' Setback

Anthropological work had been going on in Malaya and in Kenya Colony which placed a different light on the subject. Scientists had had a setback from Leakey, who, working in Kenya, had found a skull which he said was *homo sapiens*, or present man, and further that it was of the Early Pleistocene period. Early Pleistocene was anything between 250 or 400 thousand years ago so one could imagine what a surprise this contention created.

The skull he found was rechecked with considerable doubt, but Leakey went further and found fossil bits of the greatest importance which he said were of *homo sapiens* and Early Pleistocene. He also found another type of *homo sapiens*.

For himself, said the speaker, he was rather doubtful of Leakey's finds. They were the work of one man, and such great weight could not be attached to his interpretation of anatomical specimens and fossils as to the results of a team of scientists. The researches at Peiping, on the other hand, were conducted by a team of brilliant minds of international fame. They represented several nationalities and had been working for 10 years. Their evidence had been carefully analysed and there was no doubt that the Man of Pekin was of the Early Pleistocene period. It was of interest to note that he recently had a letter from one of his friends who was engaged in the research in which he said that they had found another man. He was looking forward to their paper with interest. The work at Peiping was progressing, but it could not continue without money; and he wished to emphasise that point, because, in the event of research being carried out by scientists in Hongkong, he would like them to be interested and to help it forward.

Local Anthropology

The speaker produced a skull of which, he said, no less than ten had been found recently in Java. They were of definite species of man and showed that the living creatures had an extraordinary appearance. They evidently had low foreheads and enormous necks. He had had the privilege of seeing a brain cast of them, and they were evidently of primitive type in the line of man's existence.

Locally, there were things of definite anthropological interest. He, the speaker, had once gone all through the Chinese chemist shops of Manila, Hongkong and Canton with the discoverer of the Man of Java, and had found, among other things, a tooth of *homo unknown* and a molar tooth of an orang-outang which must have stood about ten feet high. The Canton universities were doing their best to help forward scientific research, and it was well that all should show their interest. In Hongkong they might find important connections in the ancestry of man.

The Man of Java, which had been described in the newspapers as the type of man's ancestors, had been entirely deposited from this position because investigation had shown that he was of the Early or Middle Pleistocene period, and, if that was so, he must be merely an aberration. The researches in Java had produced specimens of five different types which showed how easily confusion could arise. One of the types was very similar to a skull in Rhodesia, whilst other skulls found counterparts on the opposite side of the world.

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TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT OF FLIGHTS TO INDIA

The regularity statistics for the period from October 1, 1934 to October 1, 1935 give a most interesting view on the technical development of the India-service of the K.L.M.

Originally the pilots were authorised to shorten the flights as much as perfect safety would allow, and so we see that during the winter-service of 1931-32 ten machines arrived at Batavia one day earlier than the actual schedule provided for. In the direction Batavia-Amsterdam it was even made a habit of: only seven or 25 flights were effected exactly according to schedule, two of them took 12 days, and the other 16 only 11 days, resulting in an average of 11½ days for each flight. The K.L.M. duly considered this, and as a result started the summer-service for home-bound machines already in April 1932, with a scheduled journey of nine days. Except four, all machines arrived in time. In the eastward direction the summer-service for 1932 only began in June, but then it seemed much more difficult to follow the new scheme, and various machines arrived with delay. The average times appeared to be: Eastbound 9½/10th days and Westbound 9½/10th days.

In September of that year the winter-service started for the entire line, the journey to be effected in 19 days. Still, a few commanders found their way to effect it in eight days, and 12 out of the 34 flights were completed in 9 days. On May 1, 1933 the summer-service started, and the flights were to be done in nine days: India-bound and eight days homeward.

Regularity

The winter-service for 1933-34 was effected with extraordinary regularity. The scheduled journey was 10 days, in 10-1½/16 days. This record was bettered still during the period from May 1 to the September 1, 1934, when all the flights were carried out, almost to the minutes, according to the schedule of 7½ days. The flights, numbering 40, of the winter service 1933-34 also resulted in a satisfactory regularity.

On June 12, 1935 the service was doubled and the time for each journey fixed at 5½ days, and at the same time entirely new material was taken into service: all this during an exceptionally heavy monsoon-season. During the first months delays were unavoidable, but from the beginning of August to the end of September all went very well once more. From these statistics it is clear that the regularity increases year by year, and also that the home-bound journeys are, as a rule, effected more quickly than those in opposite direction. Therefore, the scheme for the flights during the winter season 1933-34 has been fixed at 5½ days for the Westward journey, and six days for the Eastward one. On the whole it is known that the duration of the flights has been about halved during these four years, and this is a most satisfactory result.

TEN YEARS SENTENCE

WOMAN WHO KILLED SUN CHUEN-FANG

Tientsin, Dec. 17.

Shi Kim-kui, the woman who murdered General Sun Chuen-fang, former war lord of Shanghai, was sentenced at the local District Court here yesterday to ten years' imprisonment.

It will be recalled that the murder occurred early last month, and Shi Kim-kui gave up herself to the police immediately after the crime. She admitted that she had done it and had killed the war lord as a reprisal for the death of her father, who was killed by General Sun while the former was serving under him.

It is reported that Shi was "quite satisfied" when she heard the sentence announced. When questioned by pressmen after the Court session yesterday whether she was going to appeal to a higher Court, Shi said that she would consider the matter.

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HORTICULTURE

LOCAL LINK WITH LONDON SOCIETY

Presiding at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, which was held in the boardroom of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., yesterday, Sir William Hornell warned members that the continuance of the loan of the Volunteer Headquarters for the Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables was something on which they could not count indefinitely. Sir William also commented on the falling off of exhibits at the last Show.

Among those present were Mr. J. T. Bagram (Hon. Secretary), Mr. Andrew Tao (Hon. Treasurer), Lieut. Col. H. B. Dowbiggin, Mr. H. Green, Mr. J. F. Gross, Mrs. F. C. Hall, Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, Mrs. R. E. Hoare, Mr. V. H. C. Jarrett, Mr. G. G. N. Tinlawn, Mr. J. Robinson (Committee), Lady Southern, Lieut. Col. M. H. Logan, Mr. G. A. Harriman, Mrs. R. Peaston, Mrs. G. A. C. Herklots, Mr. J. Russell, Mr. H. Green, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. Dennis and Mr. C. B. Johnson.

Chairman's Speech

Addressing the meeting, Sir William Hornell said:

Ladies and Gentlemen.—The 80th Annual Report of the Society is in your hands. The Report tells you that the Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables which was held on February 23, 1935, was a great success. You will all, I think, endorse that. The falling off of exhibits to which the Committee invites attention is regrettable and must be remedied.

I am sure that I have you all with me when I ask you to endorse on behalf of the Society as a whole the Committee's thanks to Lt.-Colonel Dowbiggin and the officers of the Defence Corps, to the Hon. Inspector General of Police, to Captain Davis and the officers of H. M. S. Cornwall and to all others who helped to make the Flower Show a success.

The loan of the Volunteer Headquarters means depriving the Defence Corps of its training ground for about a fortnight and is therefore a proposition to which the Commanding Officer of the Corps cannot easily accede, especially as the Corps is now larger than it was formerly. Lt.-Colonel Dowbiggin is one of the oldest and most zealous supporters of the Society. He was President in 1923 and again in 1927. Other places have, I understand, been tried, but the best location for the Show is undoubtedly the Volunteer Headquarters.

The Society should be and is grateful to Colonel Dowbiggin and the officers of the Defence Corps for the loan of the Headquarters. I warn members of the Society that the continuance of this loan is something on which they cannot count indefinitely. But sufficient for the day are the problems thereof.

Society's Affiliation

The affiliation of the Society to the Royal Horticultural Society of London has added to the local Society's status and to the privileges of its members. Members can now be admitted to the Royal Horticultural Society's flower shows and to the experimental gardens at Wisley. The average visitor to London from abroad does not even hear of these things and, if he does, he does not know how to get about getting access to them. By this affiliation Mr. Bagram, for it is entirely his work, has provided the members of this Society with privileges of which they will not, I am sure, be slow to avail themselves.

The Society needs more members. It is appealing for them I am not asking the much harassed citizens of this Colony for further sacrifice, but for the wider participation in a great common joy. "God Almighty," wrote Francis Bacon, "first planted a garden." And indeed it is the purest of human pleasures, it is the greatest refreshment to the spirits of men without which buildings and palaces, art and gross handicrafts."

The Chairman then proposed and Mr. Green seconded that the Report be adopted. The proposal was carried unanimously.

Lady Southorn Elected

Sir William Hornell moved that Lady Southorn be invited to become President of the Society. This was seconded by Mrs. R. E. Hoare and passed with acclamation.

Mr. H. L. Dennis then moved that the outgoing Committee be re-elected *en bloc*, with the addition of Sir William Hornell, the outgoing President. Mrs. Peaston seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. F. C. Hall and seconded by Lieut. Col. M. H. Logan, Mr. J. T. Bagram was re-elected Hon. Secretary and Mr. Andrew Tao, Hon. Treasurer of the Society.

Before the meeting terminated, Lieut. Col. Dowbiggin proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Bagram for the hard work he had put in on behalf of the members of the Society. This was endorsed by the meeting with acclamation.

Thanks for her election as President of the Society were returned by Lady Southorn, who promised that she would do her best for the Society during her term of office.

Annual Flower Show

At a committee meeting following the annual meeting, it was decided to hold the annual flower and vegetable show on Thursday, March 5 next.

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CEREMONIES KEPT STRICT SECRET

OUTBURST IN PEIPING ANTICIPATED

Peiping, Dec. 18.

Apparently fearing student demonstrations if a preliminary announcement were made, the Hopei and Charhar Council was inaugurated this morning with the greatest secrecy at 8 o'clock. The ceremony lasted for forty-five minutes. All members were present, with the exception of Chow Tso-min, Wang Keh-min and Cheng Keh.

General Sung Cheh-yuan, addressing the members, said the Central Government, with a view to facilitating the administration of Hopei and Charhar, had established the Council to handle all political and administrative affairs. The members of the Council were all well-known men for whom he had the highest esteem.

He then outlined the three principles upon which he intends to run the Council:

1. District reforms and appointments must be based upon the will of the people;

2. Officials must share in the adversity as well as in the happiness of the people, and honesty must be emphasised in the administration of the financial affairs;

3. Friendly relations will be promoted with neighbouring countries, in accordance with the mandate from the Government.

TIENSIN DISORDERS

Tientsin, Dec. 18.

Students, numbering many hundreds, are demonstrating in the native city to-day, in spite of the Japanese warning to the Nanking Government that demonstrations similar to those which occurred at Peiping recently would be looked upon as serious breaches.

Meanwhile, the Political Council for the administration of the new Charhar-Hopei confederations, was inaugurated in great secrecy, General Sung Cheh-yuan, the chairman, stressing the importance of the "special" friendly relations between the two provinces and Japan.—United Press.

NECESSITY OF FRIENDSHIP

General Sung referred to the special situation existing in the Peiping area since the Tangku Armistice agreement, and emphasised the need for keeping up friendly terms with Japan. He also dwelt upon the need for reviewing the traditional virtues of China, exterminating Communists and developing and spreading Oriental culture.

Ling Ting-yan responded, congratulating General Sung, and assuring him of the support of all members. Chow Chien-sen expressed the hope that the Council would be able to revive prosperity in the Peiping-Tientsin areas.

There were a number of specially invited guests at the ceremony, which took place in the old Foreign Office building, which was decorated with flags. But there was no portrait of Dr. Sun Yat-sen to look down upon the gathering.

A business meeting followed the ceremonial, at which it was decided that the Council would meet weekly, on Friday. A standing committee, consisting of Wang Yi-tang, Liu Chih and Chin Teh-chen, was appointed to carry on the routine business of the Council.

The members then adjourned to a banquet.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S DOUBTS

Tokyo, Dec. 18.

It is learned that the Political Council of Hopei and Charhar was inaugurated to-day under the leadership of General Sung Choh-yuan, who issued a proclamation, saying the Council's establishment is based upon Nanking's order.

While Chinese circles assert that the new Council possesses a wide degree of autonomy, Japanese circles so far have not had time to study the position. Earlier dispatches reported that there were indications that General Sung was sending forces in the direction of Tangku, apparently intending to deal with General Yin Ju-kung, who continues to administer the autonomy.

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The ceremony of laying cornerstones for the projected National Music Conservatory and the National Art Gallery was held in Nanking under the chairmanship of Mr. Chu Cheng, President of the Judicial Yuan. Our picture shows Mr. Chu Cheng putting down the cornerstone, while Mr. Chu Ming-nyi, Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan, stands beside him.

WORLD WATCHES ITALY

FASCIST COUNCIL TO MEET

TO DISCUSS PEACE PLAN

Rome, Dec. 18.

The eyes of the world will be upon Rome when the Fascist Grand Council meets at 10 o'clock to-night to discuss the Paris peace proposals, upon which Signor Benito Mussolini, Premier and Dictator, will make his report.

It is possible the meeting may adjourn for a few days without reaching a decision, but if a decision should be reached a communiqué announcing the Italian attitude will be issued about midnight.

The proposals contain certain points upon which the Italian Government is seeking for clarification. It is expected that when clarification is obtained, Signor Mussolini will inform Great Britain and France as to the points with which Italy disagrees.

These are believed to include the cession of Assab and a corridor to the sea to Ethiopia and the Ethiopians' intention of Aksum.

Moreover, the Italians would like the colonisation zone in South Ethiopia extended to the Sudan frontier.

Italy may also ask for special economic facilities in Harrar province.—Reuter.

JAPAN AIM REMAINS MYSTERY

"TIMES" COMMENTS ON SITUATION

WHAT NEXT IN NORTH CHINA?

London, Dec. 18.

Another act of the North China drama is over, says the *Times* in an editorial to-day, but it has left the audience a trifle puzzled by the departure from some of the precedents set up on previous occasions. All the stock characters have appeared—the Japanese militarists, their subject allies the Japanese Foreign Office, their creatures, the Chinese autonomists doing comic business in the wings.

Then there have been the spectator powers, some mute as oysters, others muttering disapproval.

But there has been one important change, namely, that the Nanking Government instead of succumbing, resisted pressure and escaped on better terms than was expected.

The question has been settled by a compromise agreement, says the *Times*, and it will certainly strengthen the Japanese position in North China; but not nearly so much as the militarists hoped.

The composition of the new Ministry at Nanking suggests that the administration can co-operate with Japan if the Japanese militarists do not alienate it by further bullying.

ULTIMATE AIM?

The ultimate aim of the Japanese in North China is still uncertain, but more important than speculation upon this matter is the attitude of the Japanese Foreign Office, whose spokesman has severely criticised the Nine Power Treaty.

It is conceivable that the Japanese Government has some bargain in mind and that we shall hear more in that matter as soon as the discrepancy between the American naval policy and the Japanese claims becomes obvious.

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NEW FLYING LINER

Baltimore, Dec. 17.

The Hawaiian Clipper, third of the big seaplanes which will travel the trans-Pacific route of the Pan-American Airways, began its final tests to-day, preparatory to its delivery to the operators.—United Press.

Faith In Air Enterprise

AVIATOR'S WIDOW BACKS PROJECT

Sydney, Dec. 18.

Lady Kingsford-Smith, wife of the famous aviator who has been given up as dead following his disappearance somewhere in the vicinity of Singapore, has decided to replace her husband as a director of the trans-Tasman Air Development Company.

She is using her own resources until a sum of £200,000 can be obtained.

The company will adhere to Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith's plan of a semi-weekly air service between Australia and New Zealand.—Reuter.

BRITISH DUTY ON SILK

NO MODIFICATION AT PRESENT

London, Dec. 17.

In a Parliamentary reply, Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that it was not his intention to propose the repeal or reduction of Customs duties on raw silk, or of the excise duty on artificial silk, at any rate before the end of March, 1937.—British Wireless.

CHINESE CITIES AS SACRIFICE

NEW AREAS MAY GO TO MANCHUKUO

NO FIGHTING NEAR KALGAN

(Special to "Telegraph")

Peiping, Dec. 18.

Kalgan has not been the scene of any fighting lately. The Japanese press, and finally the Chinese official services agree that no fighting has occurred in East Charhar for the past two days.

The Manchukuo troops are remaining in the neighbourhood of Kuyuan and Paichang.

Colonel Matsui, the Japanese resident officer at Kalgan, Chang Tsachung, the Charhar Governor, and Chan Yun-jung, commander of the Peace Preservation Corps in the area, are at present negotiating at Peiping.

The possibility is developing that Kuyuan, Paichang, Kangpao and some other territory may be taken over eventually by the Manchukuoans.

The immediate situation is not critical.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S NAVY PACT PROPOSAL

NEW SUGGESTION AT CONFERENCE

AMERICAN SUPPORT?

London, Dec. 17.

Now ground was broken to-day when the Naval Conference to-day when Viscount Monson, First Lord of the Admiralty introduced a proposal inviting the powers to state what tonnage they contemplated constructing in the next few years.

Behind the proposal is the idea that any eventual treaty will contain a clause recognising all the signatories' rights to equality of security and to the possession of a measure of armaments necessary for their national defence.

No actual figures would be mentioned in such a treaty, it is believed, but unilateral declarations, containing tonnages, would be annexed as a less formal undertaking than the treaty itself.

Thus individual countries would not sacrifice their status by agreeing on their building plan in advance, but whether annexes would be made a contractual obligation depends upon the support given to the British proposal.

It is understood that the United States strongly favours annexes being made definitely contractual and it is expected that America will suggest an escalator clause, the same as is contained in the present treaties, designed to maintain present ratios.

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NEW PROPOSAL

London, Dec. 17.

At a full meeting of the first committee of the Naval Conference held this afternoon, the United Kingdom delegation made a statement setting out a proposal for quantitative limitation of naval construction over a period of years by means of unilateral declarations on the part of Naval Powers.

Preliminary discussions ensued in the course of which various delegations requested clarification of the United Kingdom's proposal.

NAGANO'S ARGUMENT

London, Dec. 17.

At a private conference to-day Admiral Nagano, chief of the Japanese delegation to the Naval Conference, told Mr. Norman Davis, the United States' spokesman, that Japan's popular apprehension of the possibility of naval war necessitates his rejection of President Roosevelt's suggestion for a general twenty per cent. reduction in naval armaments, retaining the present ratios.

Mr. Davis replied that Japanese equality would be tantamount to superior Japanese strength, due to the superiority of Japan's home bases.—United Press.

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ITALIAN FORCES ROUTED

SURPRISE ATTACK BY ETHIOPIANS

ADVANCE 12 MILES ON TAKKAZZE FRONT

Asmara, Dec. 17.

The Ethiopian advance on the Takkazze River front, which forced Italian troops to retreat after severe fighting, was a master-stroke, according to the Ethiopians' own methods of warfare, despatches from the front disclose. An official Italian communiqué admits the loss of ground and the retreat.

Taking advantage of clouds which obscured the moon and made the night black as a cave, the Ethiopians forced the river at 2 o'clock in the morning, gathered themselves together and fell upon the outposts of the Italian Second Army Corps two hours later. The outposts were taken by surprise.

Ethiopian troops followed the retreating Italians, but were later temporarily checked by machine-gun fire.

The main body of the Ethiopian army had by now crossed the Takkazze River, however. It carried out this manoeuvre quite openly, possibly in order to draw the Italian fire and divert attention from other Ethiopian movements in the fighting zone.

ANTI-WAR PARADERS ARRESTED

AMERICAN CROWD DEMONSTRATES

SEEKS TO STOP SHIP LOADING

Jersey City, Dec. 17.

Carrying anti-war and anti-Fascist posters, a crowd marched to the pier where the Norwegian freighter Sporo was loading scrap iron for Italy to-day.

The paraders tried to board the ship to protest to the master, but were kept off by police.

The leaders of the demonstrators mounted boxes and spoke against the shipment of war materials. They were joined by nineteen sailors from the Sporo.

The police arrested eight demonstrators after they had refused to disperse.—Reuter.

TAKEN ON FLANK

This pass was strongly defended, Italian reinforcements having been rushed there. The Italians claim to have punished severely the advancing Ethiopians.

The forward Italian blockhouses had to be abandoned. The rear blockhouses were reinforced, but by 6 o'clock, after two hours' fighting the Italians had been driven back on Dombegeba, which is a pass a dozen miles north-east of the fort where the attack first began.

TALK TO EMPIRE

CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

WILL ASK WOMEN TO GIVE TO NATION

Rome, Dec. 17.

Queen Eleanor will broadcast for the first time to-morrow during the solemn ceremony of handing her and her husband's wedding rings to the nation.

Accompanied by her Ladies-in-Waiting, the Queen will walk up the long flight of steps to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and place the rings in a crucible, receiving in exchange a stainless steel ring from the Chaplain General.

Afterwards, the Queen will invite the women of Rome to follow her example and drop their rings in the crucible.—Reuter Special.

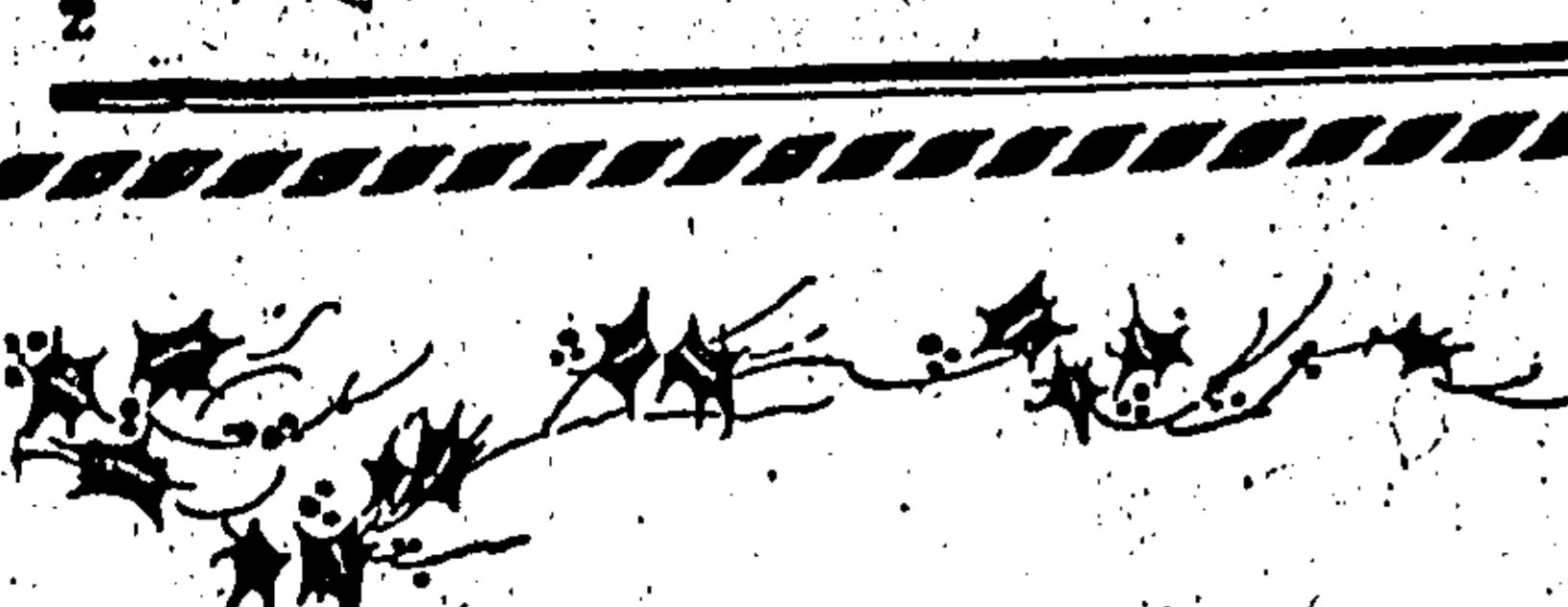
LOCAL DOLLAR UNCHANGED

MARKET RATHER EASIER

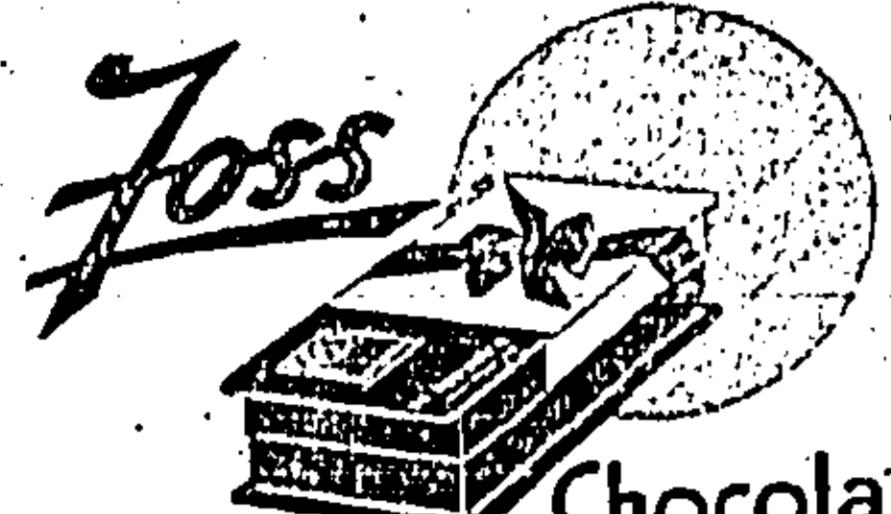
The Hongkong dollar was unchanged at 3.14d. on opening this morning, this being the rate when the quotation advanced 1/8th yesterday afternoon.

Before the close yesterday, the business rate was 3.14d., but this morning rates were 3.05/3d. sellers and 3.11/10d. buyers. The tone of the market was rather easier.

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MYSTERY PATCH ON THE SUN BAFFLES SCIENTISTS

ASTRONOMER-ROYAL STUDYING IT NOW

"SO FAR IT HAS HAD NO EFFECT,
BUT IT MAY CAUSE TELEPHONE,
WIRELESS AND TELEGRAPH TROUBLE".

—BRITISH G.P.O.

THE world's astronomers have for the past week been observing the most mysterious stream of sunspots ever known.

The group of spots (a patch 80,000 miles long) is the largest seen on the sun's surface for many years. It was expected to cause:-

Magnetic storms;

Interference in wireless reception;

Difficulties in telegraph and telephone transmission.

Yet as far as can be discovered by the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, the G.P.O., the Air Ministry and the B.B.C., it has had no effect at all.

It should have incensed the brightness of the Aurora Borealis, the "Northern Lights": yet very little glow from the North Pole has been observed.

The only phenomenon which may have been caused by it was last week's cold snap.

"Dr. Harold Spencer-Jones, R.S., the Astronomer-Royal, said: "We have been watching the group of sunspots here at the Royal Observatory for more than a week. There has been an enormous amount of activity on the sun recently."

"The group is 80,000 miles long,

HOW TO SEE THE PATCH OF MYSTERY

The Astronomer-Royal gave the following instructions for those who wish to see for themselves the great stream of sunspots:

Shade the lenses of a pair of field glasses, or take a pair of dark spectacles.

Wait till the sun is just above the horizon before sunset at about 4 p.m. Look at it steadily till you are able to make out a reddish patch of "freckles".

Do NOT try to see it when the sun is high. It is most dangerous to the eyesight."

or ten times the diameter of the earth. It appears as a stream of dark reddish freckles on the sun.

"The present group of spots appears to be moving across the sun's surface. Actually, of course, it is stationary, and the sun itself is turning. The sun revolves once in every 27 days.

"Sunspots are closely connected with magnetic storms. We cannot be certain why this is, but the connection has been established.

"Magnetic storms have been expected all over the world during the past month. So far, however, none of any importance has been recorded.

"It must, of course, be borne in mind that such disturbances take a long time to reach the earth.

"We would normally expect the climax here a day and a half after the sunspot has come opposite the earth.

"You can detect magnetic storms easily with a compass. They violently agitate the compass needle.

"Such storms are important. They have a considerable effect on wireless transmission and reception and also on telegraphic and telephonic communication.

"We are not certain exactly what sunspots are. There is much difference of opinion.

"So far as we can tell, they are in the nature of chronic disturbances in the gaseous substance of the sun, and they have a vertical motion like a cyclone or a whirlpool."

FULL LIST OF QUETTA EARTHQUAKE AWARDS

The following honours have been conferred by the King in recognition of gallant and distinguished conduct during the Quetta earthquake and the relief work afterwards. The Kaisar-i-Hind Silver and Bronze Medals are given by the Vicerey of India. The names are as follow:

THE ORDER OF THE STAR OF INDIA

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MEN AND WOMEN WHO RISKED LIVES IN EARTHQUAKE

Nurse Who Saved Children / Officer Risked Grave Infection / Native Soldiers Ignored Danger

Official Tributes To Deeds Of Heroism After Earthquake

London, Dec. 10. — The deeds of heroism in the Quetta earthquake, which won either the Albert Medal or the Medal of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire were described in the "London Gazette" last night.

The awards and the official statements are given below:

THE ALBERT MEDAL

At the risk of her life, and at the cost of terrible injuries to her leg, Miss Allen saved the life of the child in her charge by throwing herself across the cot. She has displayed the highest courage ever since.

Lt. John Guise Cowley, R.E., 10th Army Troops Co., Q.V.O. Madras Sappers and Miners.

Lt. Cowley and his party were the first to start relief work at the Civil Hospital, where the walls of all the wards had collapsed, bringing down the roofs intact on the inmates, on whom the debris of the walls had already fallen. At first the men were too few in number to tear off the roofs, so they raised them up for short periods whilst Lt. Cowley crawled under them and dragged out survivors from their beds. The survivors were pre-earthquake hospital patients and mostly quite helpless.

Lt. Cowley lifted many men in his arms, regardless of the warning that they were suffering from all manner of diseases. Had it not been for the work of this officer and the excellent example shown by him to his men, very many less men would have been saved alive.

Lee-Naik Firoze Khan, 6th Bn. 8th Punjab (Burma) Regt.

On the morning of May 31 Lee-Naik Firoze Khan was in charge of a party engaged in rescue work and fire-fighting in the city. Hearing cries for help from beneath the ruins in the close vicinity of a fire, Lance-Naik Firoze Khan and his party commenced to dig and cut their way down into the building. After nearly two hours' work the Lance-Naik was able to enter the building from above and discovered two people pinned down by beams and rubble. The fire had by this time spread to the building in question, which was full of smoke and fumes. In spite of this the Lance-Naik with pick and saw spent over half an hour beneath the ruins and finally released the injured people. He did this at great risk to his own life, as throughout there was grave danger of the ruins subsiding from the effect of the fire and further earthquake shocks.

Pte. Harry Fitzsimmons, 1st Bn. W. Yorks, Regt.

On May 31 and June 1 and 2 Fitzsimmons was on rescue duty in the area of Quetta City to the east of Sandeman Hall. He worked with conspicuous energy and devotion to duty throughout the period of rescue work, and in conjunction with others was responsible for saving several lives.

On June 1, in order to rescue an Indian whom he knew to be buried alive, Fitzsimmons, at great risk to his own life, made a passage under the debris of a house into which he was able to crawl.

On reaching the man he discovered a woman lying dead on top of him who was pinned down by a stout beam across her leg. In order to release the man, whom he eventually saved, he had to saw off the woman's leg with a carpenter's saw. The remains of the building, and the passage he made, were in imminent danger of collapse during the whole period he was working. Fitzsimmons' action was very gallant one and worthy of special recognition.

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On June 2 this rifflman's conduct was again brought to notice. On this occasion he formed part of a detachment working in Hudia Village. The upper storey of a crumpled house was being cleared, part of the roof had fallen through the floor into the lower storey, thus rendering the couple, whilst asleep, was extremely dangerous. A living child was discovered in the lower storey. This man and one other volunteered to dig through a corner of the floor opposite to where it had crumpled. They did so with khukris and their hands and got through to the lower storey and rescued the child. They did this at considerable risk to their own lives, as the walls were in danger of falling and the floor might have collapsed at any moment.

The engine of the plane cut out just after the take-off, necessitating a forced landing.

Clue Was Found In A Nerve Sedative

MEDICINE ANYONE CAN BUY

A new sore throat disease is puzzling doctors throughout the country.

Its name is Agranulocytic Angina, and it strikes down those apparently in normal health and often proves fatal.

Women are more subject to it than men.

A clue to its nature has been provided by the discovery that among those affected are many doctors, nurses, and medical students.

This fact led to a search for a possible drug or medicine which might be the root of the trouble.

A SEDATIVE

It is revealed that a drug called pyramidon, which is a mild nerve sedative and pain reliever, had been employed by the stricken individuals over a considerable period.

The only method of accurate diagnosis is by an examination of the blood.

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THIS WAS THE PLANE WITH THE CRUMPLED WING

A cow in a field adjoining Mascot Aerodrome, Sydney, is extremely fortunate not to have a crumpled horn. A day or two ago, an aeroplane landed on her back.

The cow was knocked over, but scrambled up and ran off bellowing, little the worse. A wing of the machine was crumpled instead, says *Austral News*.

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AVIATRIX PLANS HOP TO CHINA



ADEN BECOMES AXIS OF BRITAIN'S NAVAL STRATEGY

GIBRALTAR OF THE RED SEA

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Reports of military and naval activity at Aden, possibly foreshadowing the early development of a first-class base there, attest the ascending strategical importance of the peninsula in South Arabia which in successive centuries has supported the maritime power of Phoenicians, Portuguese, Turks, Arabians, and British.

Italy's bold military plans against Ethiopia were recognized by the British as implying an ultimate challenge to their Imperial power in the Red Sea and Indian Ocean, and Aden became a focussing-point for the attention of naval experts who consider all the hypothetical aspects of international rivalry.

Second Gibraltar

Situated within striking distance of the Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb, the bottleneck of the Red Sea, Aden occupies a position comparable to that of Gibraltar at the outlet of the Mediterranean. The similarity also extends to the geographical fact that both Gibraltar and Aden are huge rock peninsulas jutting from the mainland, the commercial fact that both are points of call and supply for great numbers of merchant vessels, and the imperial fact that both are indispensable to the security of the British line of communications to India and the Far East.

Aden was added to the British Empire in 1839, the first important addition in the reign of Queen Victoria. Two years earlier, a British ship had been wrecked on the Arabian coast, and some of the crew and passengers had been mistreated. The Bombay government asked explanations, and the local Sultan in compensation offered to sell the harbour and town of Aden.

Arrangements made by the father were rejected after his death by a son, and the British sent a military and naval force from Bombay. Aden was captured and annexed to the Bombay presidency on January 16, 1839. Since 1932 it has been responsible politically to the government of India, but in military and naval affairs is very close to London.

Britain's Reminder

The completion of the Suez Canal three decades later made Aden an extremely valuable port for bunkering of vessels en route to and from the East. Politically, Aden served frequently as a counter-balance to French or Italian ambitions in Northeastern Africa, since the power resident there was an ever-present reminder of Britain's intense interest in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

In the event of a British-Italian rivalry in the Red Sea-Indian Ocean area, Aden would have these strategical responsibilities: First, base for the naval defence operations if such were necessary to maintain amity with the Arab nations; point of support for Arabian shipping and commercial activity between Arabia and Zanzibar; protection of the British Mail-line cables to India, Australia and the Far East, and the converging cables route down the African coast.

The British Empire possesses several other islands of greater or lesser strategical importance in the lower Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden. Some of these might have been ignored in past decades, but the advent of submarines and seaplanes has brought even small and inconsequential islands within the scope of possible military or naval programmes.—*United Press*.

Aden, A.C. Norman George Breadon, R.A.F.

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Great care and intelligence were required in order to avoid wounding the couple, whilst speed was essential if there was to be any hope of rescue. Soon after 9.30 Mrs. Newington was extricated alive, and shortly after Mr. Newington dead. Lee-Naik Chitrabhadur Gurung, 1st Bn. 8th Gurkha Rifles, I.A. This non-commissioned Officer, along with other men, was instrumental in saving the life of Mrs. Newington (wife of Supt. Newington of the Railway Police). The family of Mr. and Mrs. Newington were buried in the ruins of their bungalow some five or six feet under the debris. The party started digging at about 7 a.m. on May 31. Through unceasing work, carried out under very dangerous circumstances, as the work was carried out under the remaining wall of the bungalow, which would have fallen if another shock had taken place, the vicinity of the bodies was reached about 9.30.

Tunnelled Through Debris

Pte. Ernest Mathew Elston, 1st Bn. W. York Regt.

Pte. Elston worked with untiring energy at rescue work and initiative displayed in removing them. As a result of his disregard of danger ten people were rescued alive at con-

siderable risk. He fully realised the risks he ran, but was always ready to enter any building where there was any possibility of anybody remaining alive. His conduct was very fine example of courage and energy at a critical time.

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The fire was confined to the upper floors, the ground floor, housing the Tak Choung sundry goods shop, being slightly damaged by water.

Two appliances from Central Fire Station were in attendance and the conflagration was extinguished in a short time. No person was injured and the neighbouring houses were not affected by the outbreak.

COUNCIL INAUGURATED

Shanghai, Dec. 18. The Nippon Densho correspondent in Peiping states the Charhar-Hopel Political Council was inaugurated today, with fourteen of the seventeen members present.—United Press.

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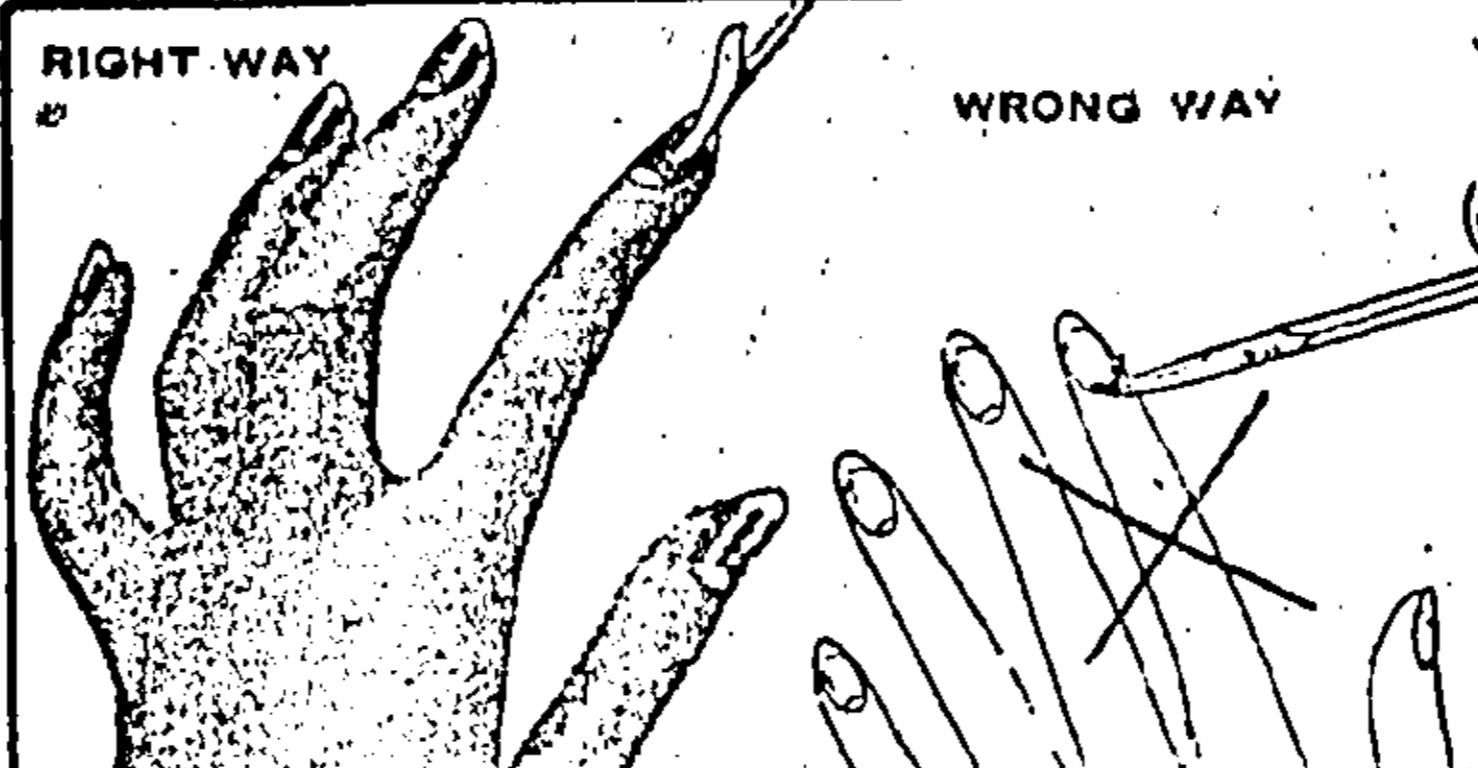
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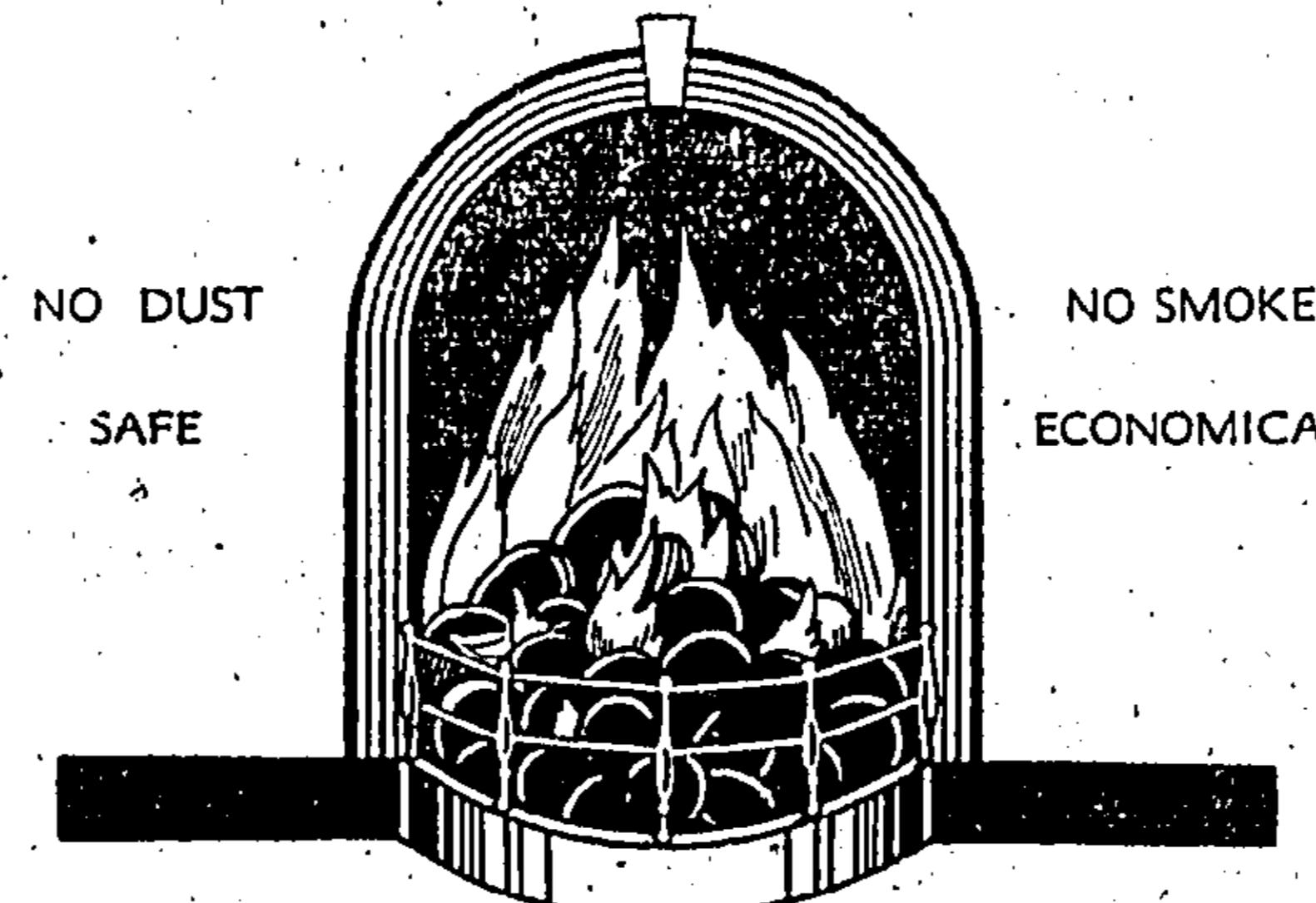
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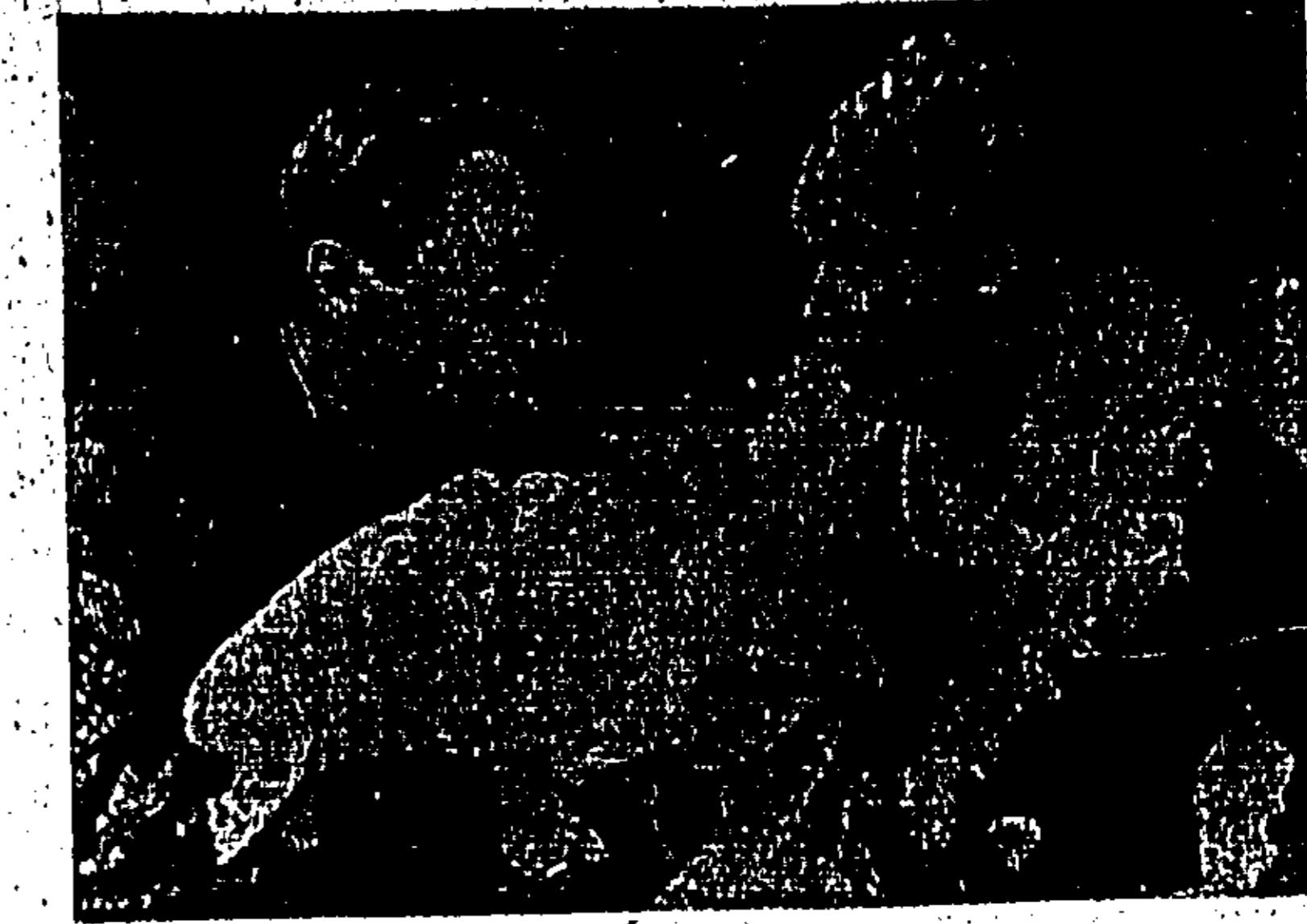
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Edward Arnold and Binnie Barnes in "Diamond Jim," Universal production now showing at the King's Theatre.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAIRS

Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	December 15.
Hainan	Canton	December 19.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	December 19.
Shanghai, Foochow and Amoy	Sulyang	December 19.
Amoy	Tilawa	December 19.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 30th November)	Emp. of Japan	December 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	December 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd November and Europe via Siberia (London, 28th November))	Amsterdam, 30th December.	Pres. Hayes

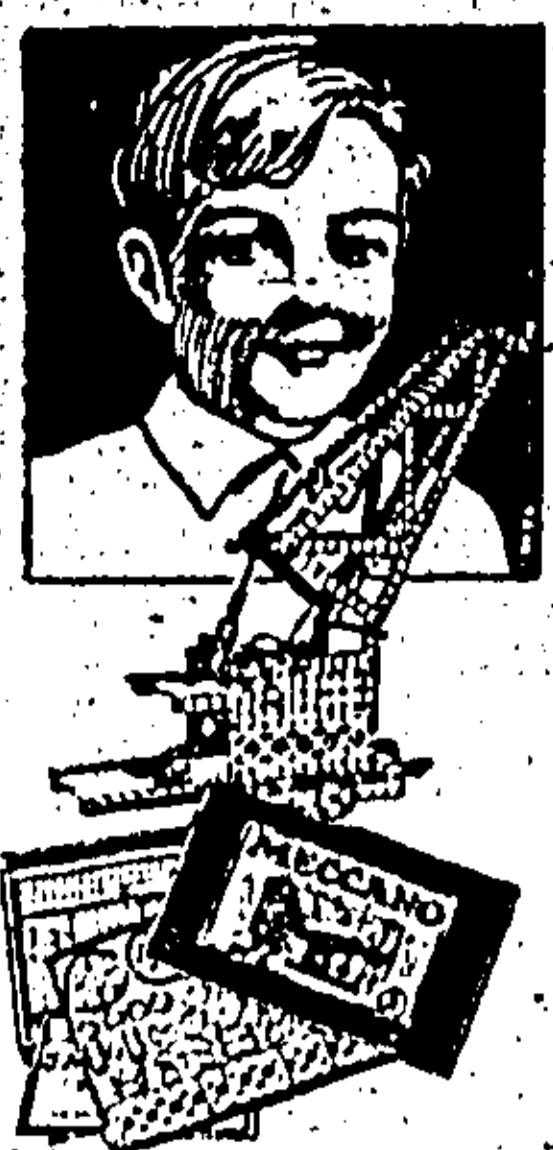
OUTWARD MAIRS

For	Per	Date and Time
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong So	Wed., Dec. 18, 4.00 p.m.
	Thursday	
Shanghai, Japan and Siberia	Cathay	Thurs., Dec. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Fort Huayard	Tai Po Sek	Thurs., Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial Service," due London, 3rd January, 1936.	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs., Dec. 19.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" due Amsterdam, 30th December.	K.P.O.	
Reg. Dec. 19, 10.30 a.m.	Dec. 19, 11 a.m.	
Letters, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.	Reg. Dec. 19, 11.30 a.m.	
Japan, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa	Kamo Maru Thurs., Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.	
Straits	Hakusan Maru	Thurs., Dec. 19, 12.30 p.m.

Friday	G.P.O.	Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Manhole, Pakhoi and Hailphong	Emp. of Japan	Dec. 20, 3 p.m.
Swaytow, Amoy and Foochow	Hakusan Maru	Dec. 20.
London, 6th January.		
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" due Amsterdam, 2nd January.		
Letters for "Singapore-Australia Service" due Darwin, 31st December.		

K. P. O.	Reg. Dec. 20, 4 p.m.
Letters, Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Japan
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles, (Due Marseilles, 18th January, 1936.)	Hakusan Maru
	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.

K. P. O.	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and San Fran.	General Lee
elsewhere	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.
(Due San Franzeisco, 12th Jan.)	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia	Pres. McKinley
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British Government Securities

War Loan 3½%
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Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898
(Eng. Inv.) £101½ £101½

4½% Loan 1008 £96 £96

5% Loan 1912 £72½ £72½

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 £90 £90

5% Gold Bonds 1926-47 £90½ £90½

5% Shui-Nanking 1934 £60½ £60½

5% Tientsin-Pukow 1934 £32 £32

5% Tientsin-Pukow Railway (Supl.) 1934 £31 £31

5% Honan Ry. 1934 £28 £28

5% Hukkuang Ry. 1934 £43 £42½

5% Lung Tsing U. 1934 £19 £19

Foreign Bonds and Banker

German 7½% Int. Loan 1928 £50 £58½

Japan 5½% Sterling Loan 1937 £83½ £83½

Japan 6½% Sterling Loan 1932 £96½ £96½

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Diamond 97½ 97½

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Pekkin Synd 1/3 1/3

Rubber Plantation Invest Trust 29/7½ 29/3

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Burma Corp. 11/1½ 11/1½

Commonwealth Min. 9/6 9/9

India & Pakistan Estates 63/0 xd 63/3

Spanwater Op. 7/6 7/4½

Springer Mines 43/1 xd 43/1½

Sub-Nigal 252/6 xd 252/6

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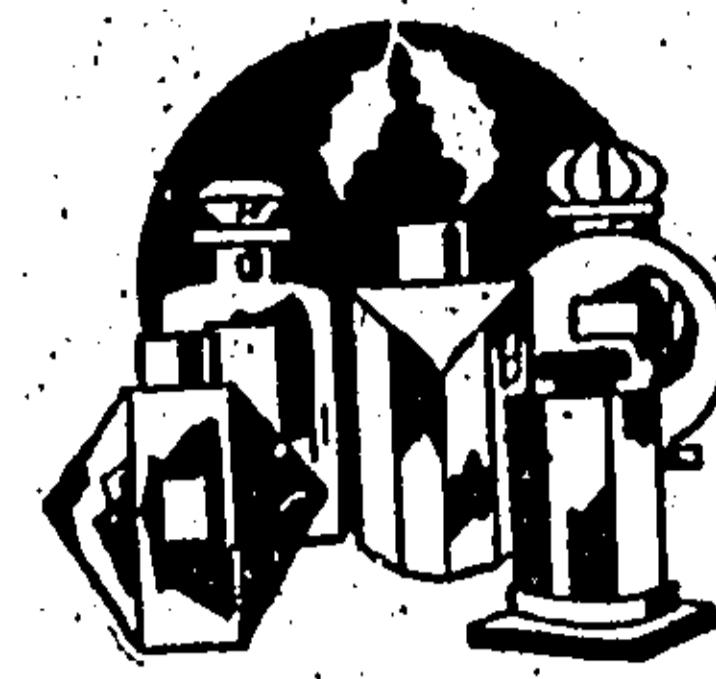
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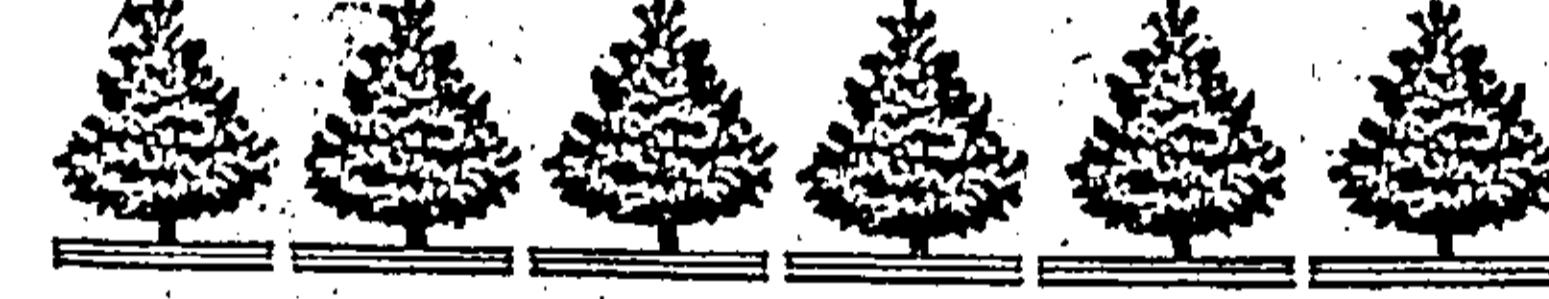
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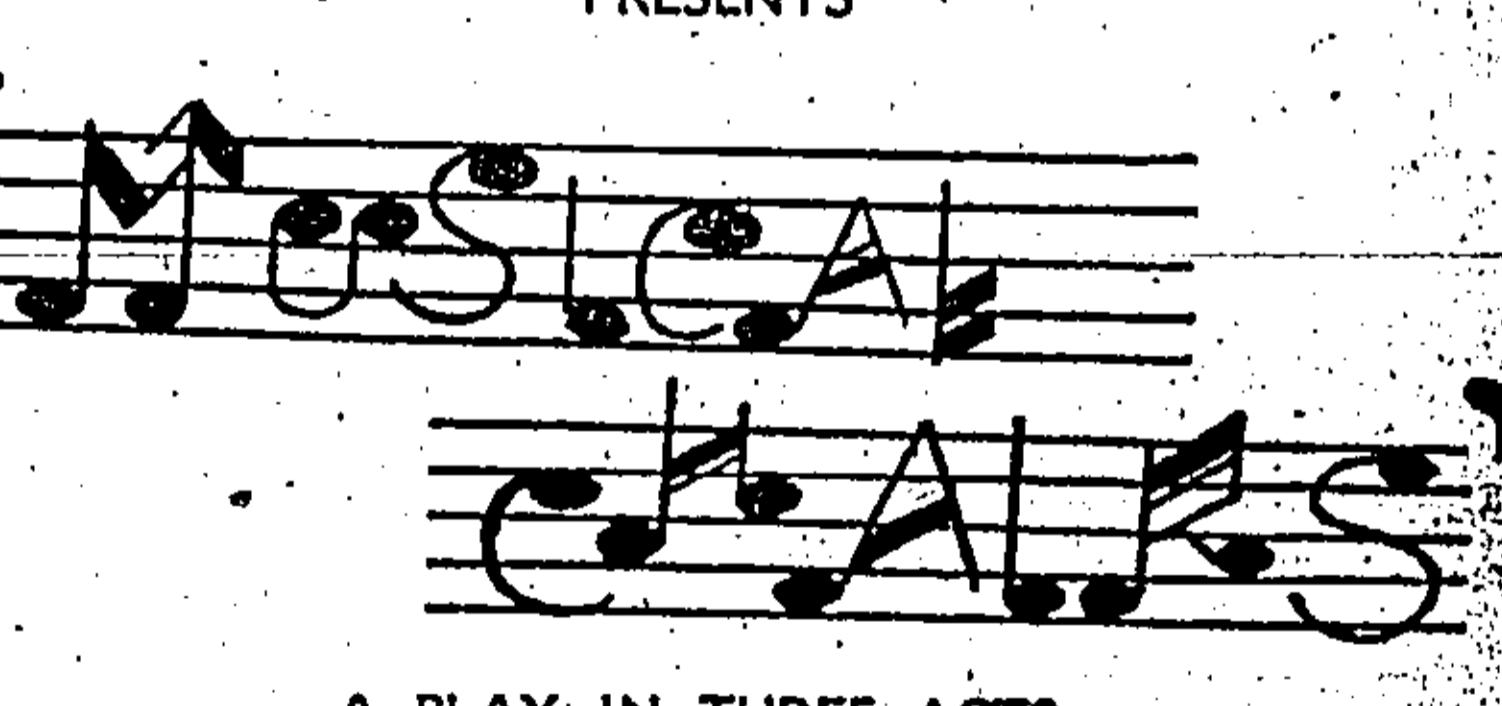
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NO ISOLATION

Differences within the British Cabinet regarding the Paris peace plan have brought into prominence Mr. Anthony Eden, Minister for League Affairs, and keen proponent of British attachment to the system of collective guarantees for peace. Mr. Eden, universally regarded as one of the outstanding men in British politics to-day, has for some time past been fighting the bitter hostility of the isolationists towards the League and all that it stands for. In a recent speech, he declared that a policy of isolation by Britain would be full of dangers to our national security, for it might result in our being politically isolated, although we could never henceforth be geographically isolated. Backing up his arguments with references to the past, he showed that even in the opening years of this century, geographical isolation might still have seemed possible, political isolation was found to be impossible. It was then that an Entente with France and Russia was thought indispensable. If, asked Mr. Eden, isolation was an impracticable policy then, because its political dangers were so clearly evident, how much greater must those dangers be to-day in an overcrowded world, in which we jostle one another continuously? If we turn to the present day, we find that none of the major nations of Europe, in spite of their military, naval and aerial strength, relish the prospect of isolation. Germany, Russia and France are cases in point. The truth is that to-day all nations hang together, and Geneva is the only source of hope. Special alliances and balances of power are devices which sooner or later break down and open the way to catastrophe. It is a keen realisation of these facts which explains the stand taken by Mr. Eden, and those who think with him, in meeting the challenge to the League system. Isolation nowadays for any nation would be disastrous, and in the case of Britain such conception of our international duty has been aptly described as one of "selfish ignominy." Mr. Eden, in the speech to which we have referred, spoke of another deep reason for the attachment of Britain to League ideals. "We don't like taking sides, particularly in the politics of Continental Europe," he declared. "Maybe," he added, "it is a survival of a long period of semi-detachment, and we are certainly not good haters." It is therefore easy to see why Britain's whole inclination is against alliances which pledge her beforehand with any one nation to a specific course of action against others. Her aim is to work collectively for peace; that is the spirit animating her people in the present crisis. It would be

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Max
Reinhardt
and
"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

INTENSE interest is being aroused by the forthcoming production at the Queen's Theatre in Hongkong of Max Reinhardt's film version of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The interest is not only in this remarkable film but in the vast subject of the general possibilities of producing Shakespeare on the screen at all.

There is a world of difference between a stage play and a film. On the stage, the author, who provides the actors with their words, is the most important partner in the production, for the greater part of the effect of a play comes from things heard; the ears are so much more important than the eyes that many plays, especially when the dialogue is good, can be reproduced for the ears alone in the form of radio plays.

On the screen, the eyes are far more important.

Actually, although most filmgoers probably do not realise it, the proportion of dialogue to action is very small, and although the music is now part of the film itself and not supplied separately by an orchestra, in the best films the spoken word is sparingly used; so that where a film is adapted from a stage play comparatively little of the original dialogue is kept, for most of the effect is conveyed by means of action and music.

IT follows that anyone who undertakes to produce a film version of a Shakespearean play is faced with all kinds of problems. If he were simply to film

the stage version of the play as a whole, he would produce a result which is neither good drama nor good film.

Shakespeare himself wrote for a stage which was very limited in its equipment, and provided with little, if any, scenery. He had to gain most of his effect by means of his poetry and dialogue. A talking picture which was mainly dialogue would be deadly dull. The interest, therefore, in this first serious attempt to film a Shakespeare will be threefold;

First, to see how Max Reinhardt can transmute the stage drama of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" into film drama.

Secondly, how he creates the effects of mood and atmosphere which Shakespeare could evolve by poetry alone.

And, thirdly, what impression the film leaves as a work of art in itself.

THERE is no standard treatment or ritual performance of any of Shakespeare's plays; even on the stage the interest of each fresh treatment lies in the way in which old and familiar scenes are given novelty, charm, and new significance.

A film of Shakespeare will be an entirely new and different experience from any acted play. It will not be a substitute either for stage production or for reading, but, if well done, will add to the enjoyment of both, for it is an interpretation presented not in the form of a critical appreciation in words but in pictures and music.

In some respects, indeed, the film has great advantage over the theatre, for it is not circumscribed by the size of the stage. There is no end or limit to scenes of pageantry and magnificence, such as the wedding of Theseus, or the woodland settings in all variety which are needed for the misfortunes of the lovers or the revels of Fairyland.

I have been privileged to see a private showing of Max Reinhardt's interpretation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

It is a surprising experience and entirely different from all and I shall be surprised if unexpected beauties and rich opinion.

ALL MILK AND MONEY

HONGKONG speculators have lost a lot of money trying to make a lot of money during the past three or four weeks.

It only goes to prove that the banks are the only people who know how to play safe. Big steel-lined ones, with massive doors.

We never did care for exchange gambling when we wanted a flutter.

We felt much more sure of our ground when we were running a poker school, or a two-up game, or the fan-tan joint at Shum Chun.

We even tried our hand at running a roulette house once. The only thing that jarred during the whole of the time it was open was that George, our assistant, would insist on riding on the roulette wheel. Ultimately we had a special roulette wheel made for him, and our clients used to gamble on which hole he would roll into when the wheel slowed down.

One day he had fifty cents on the black and dislocated his hips trying to roll into the right hole. He has never been the same since.

We put him on to burying the suits, but he used to upset the customers too much, tramping around the room with his shovel over his shoulder, and singing out, "Next, please!" He was never of much assistance to us in our sporting career.

It was just the same when we were running a shut-the-door and button-scoot tournament. (Battledore and shuttle-cook, thank you.) On the eve of the final he left the door of the cage open and all our shuttle-cocks got out. It spoilt everything.

People who had booked ringside seats months in advance demanded their money back. There was a riot at the box office and the I.G.P. came to us and said, "I'm afraid I can't hold them back much longer."

So, then George said he could quieten the crowd by singing them a pathetic song about mother and silvery hair and being at home all that. Well we let him have a shot at it, and by the time they had finished with him they were too exhausted to do anything else and we were able to escape.

We took our pal flowers and fruit while he was in hospital, but he didn't seem to be grateful. There's not much gratitude and kindness in this world. You ask them for bread and they give you fourteen lbs.

It only goes to show that speculators have a hard time all round, and that uneasy lies the head that wears five bob and—Well, anyway, it only goes to show.



"I know my husband's speech by heart. Would it be all right if I delivered it instead?"

a sorry day for Britain should she at this juncture abandon that attitude.

LABOUR MOVES CENSURE VOTE

GENEVA DELAYING PEACE ACTION

EDEN NOT EXPECTED TO PRESS FORMULA

London, Dec. 17.

A fighting speech is expected from Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and joint author of the Paris peace proposals, when he opens Thursday's debate in the House of Commons and faces the Opposition's strong vote of censure.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, will demand a vote of confidence. But this is not to be taken as a vote in favour of the Peace Plan itself.

With regard to proceedings at Geneva to-morrow, Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Minister for League of Nations Affairs, may elect to adhere to the line that the peace proposals are not intended to be imposed on either of the parties to the dispute, but are put forward merely as a basis for discussion. No attempt will be made to push them further than is acceptable to the League, he may say.

On the other hand it is anticipated that Mr. Eden will repeat Britain's well-known willingness to take measures to insure success in any collective action decided upon by the League.—*Reuter*.

DISCUSSION DELAYED

Geneva, Dec. 17. Despite the fact that the League Council convenes to-morrow, strategists plan to delay an open discussion of the Anglo-French peace proposals until Friday, following the British House of Commons debate on the formula on Thursday.—*United Press*.

LABOUR'S CENSURE

London, Dec. 17. A vote of censure has been tabled in Parliament by the Labour Leader, which will entail a full explanation of the Government's attitude towards the Paris Peace proposals, and at which it is expected some sensational disclosures may be made.

The vote of censure reads: "That the terms put forward by His Majesty's Government as a basis for an Italo-Abyssinian settlement reward the aggressor at the expense of the victim, destroy collective security, conflict with the expressed will of the country and the Covenant of the League of Nations, to the support of which the honour of Britain is pledged; the House therefore demands these terms be immediately repudiated."

Major C. Richard Attlee, the Labour Leader, will move the vote of censure. Prior to framing the vote of censure, the National Council of Labour,

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

HE WHO KNOWS ONLY HIS SIDE OF THE CASE KNOWS LITTLE OF THAT.—*Mill*.

The Manila Observatory, reporting at 8.15 a.m., states that there is a typhoon about 145 long, 11 Lat., moving N.W.

A Carol Concert is being given by the Hongkong University Christian Association in the Great Hall of the University on Sunday, December 22, at 9 p.m.

A dinner dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel, to-night. A special extra bus service has been arranged for the convenience of patrons attending dinner dances; in addition to the ordinary time-table.

Summoned before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for keeping an unstamped receipt for the sum of \$2250 on May 21 to the Lau Wai Kee shop, No. 331 Shanghai Street, Yau Tsim Mong, of No. 26 Square Street, was fined \$10.

Mok Yuk-tung, a 17-year-old shop boy, was accused at the Central Magistracy this morning of stealing and pawning two woollen and two cotton singlets, belonging to the Yu Hing Haberdashery Store, 133 Queen's Road Central, where he worked. The value of the goods was about \$8.50. Mr. Macfadyen bound the defendant over.

Lui Heung, aged 26, odd job coolie, was charged before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of 10 lbs. of lead and two yards of lead cover wire, valued at \$2 from the stenner, Shinglang, lying at Tai Kok Dockyards. Mr. Boulton, head watchman at the Docks, appeared as complainant. Sub-Inspector Post stated that defendant was seen to leave the ship with the lead in a parcel under his arms, and was arrested by a dockyard watchman. A fine of \$50, or one month's hard labour, was imposed.

John Michael Slepinski, a 21-year-old American, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning on the charge of entering the Colony without a valid passport. He had boarded the President Lincoln at Manila just before it left, without any money to pay his passage. He had a passport, but no British visa. The Dollar Line had made arrangements to take him back to Manila on the President Hoover, sailing on Friday. An expulsion order was made, and His Worship directed that the defendant was to remain in custody until the ship left.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Paris, Dec. 17. M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, insisted upon and obtained a vote of confidence in the French Chamber before leaving for the Geneva meeting to-morrow.—*Reuter*.

LAVAL'S CHALLENGE

Paris, Dec. 17. "I represent France in Geneva. I would be unworthy to do so if the representatives of our country engage in a controversy upon foreign policy," declared M. Pierre Laval, speaking in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

He would prefer not to go to Geneva at all if the Chamber considered his policy dangerous.

The deputies voted 304 to 252 in support of the Government, defeating the Opposition demand for an immediate debate on the Anglo-French peace proposal. They upheld M. Laval's demand that the debate be called off December 27, after the Geneva session.

During the week-end one case each of Diphtheria and Meningitis were reported to the local Health authorities.

The Annual Speech Day of Wah Yan College will be held on Saturday, December 21, at the Queen's Theatre at 10.30 a.m. Mr. G. R. Sayer, Director of Education, will distribute the prizes.

The Annual Speech Day of the Ying Wa Girls' School will take place this evening at 7 p.m. in the Hall of the Hop Yat Church, Bonham Road. Mrs. A. O. Brown will distribute the awards.

In connection with the children's Christmas party being held at the Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow, special buses will leave the top Peak Tram station at 2.45 p.m. and the Hongkong Hotel at 2.30 p.m. Those without tickets for the party can obtain them at the door at the Repulse Bay Hotel.

The New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch of the St. John Ambulance has been as busy as ever during November. A total of 13,886 cases have been treated for the month, of which 5,683 are new ones. There were 143 maternity cases; and altogether 614 home visits were made. The doctors and nurses covered a wide territory, including villages across the border.

Pleading guilty to a charge of obtaining \$6 from Kwok Luk-kan, 54, coolie, by false pretences at Hollywood Road on October 7, Tam Kwan-tam Tam Fan, aged 45, broker, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Detective-Sergeant Headridge stated that defendant obtained the money from complainant, by pretending that he was in a position to get a hawker's licence for him.

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COALMINE DEADLOCK SOLVED?

STRUGGLE TO AVERT STRIKE MENACE

OWNERS READY TO PAY MORE

London, Dec. 17. No agreement was reached at last evening's meeting, lasting nearly five hours, between representatives of the coalowners and the Miners' Federation on the wage dispute.

The owners regretted that their request to be allowed to increase prices under existing contracts had so far not been met with such a favourable response as they had hoped, and they intimated that in the present circumstances the utmost they could undertake was that wages would be increased in every district on January 1, the amount of the increase and other details to be left to the districts to negotiate.

The Federation's representatives expressed satisfaction at the position, and at their request the owners undertook to ask the districts to intimate as early as possible what offer they were prepared to make.

It is understood that a further meeting will be held, but the date has not yet been fixed.—*Reuter*.

COUNTERFEIT COIN PLANT

FIVE YEAR TERM OF IMPRISONMENT

Despite an eloquent plea for leniency by his counsel, Lam Iu, alias Lam Tit-sang, 31, was sentenced to five years' hard labour by Mr. Justice Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he pleaded guilty to a charge of being in possession of 11 moulds for counterfeiting Hongkong dollars, ten-cent and five-cent pieces, at No. 69 Fuk Wah Street, third floor.

Another man named Kwong Chiu-pang, 30, was charged with the accused, but he pleaded not guilty and his case was remanded.

Addressing his Lordship on behalf of Lam Iu, Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., who was instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellet, said accused came from a respectable family, his father being a poultry stall licensee in the Western Market. He came to Hongkong in 1929 when his brother succeeded his father as licensee. Following his brother's death in 1921, he himself took charge of the stall. At that time he was only 16 years of age and was in a fairly prosperous position. Being a man of ambition, he embarked on one or two business ventures which unfortunately proved unsuccessful. One of these was in the China Restaurant in 1929 and that resulted in a loss of \$30,000 within two years. As a result of this failure, he was indebted to some poultry store-keepers to the extent of \$120,000 and in connection with this he arranged to pay them by instalments at \$150 a month. The instalments were still being paid.

MORE ILL-LUCK

In 1935 he embarked on another business venture by purchasing a launch and junk for cargo carrying between Kowloon and Macao. That also proved unsuccessful and as the result of the ill-luck that dogged his footsteps he found himself in a desperate position, in the second half of this year. He had a wife, two children, a need mother and a sister-in-law to support, and his position became so desperate that he was unable to pay the rent for his cubicle, which was only \$9.

It was in connection with this, that he was induced into taking possession of the moulds, but no harm had been done, as no counterfeit coins were manufactured.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, pointed out that the evidence of the Government Analyst showed that no other article was complete for the manufacture of counterfeit coins.

WHOSE CAT?

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MAN ADMITS KILLING
IT FOR FOOD

Leung Tung-so, aged 27, unemployed, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with killing a cat with intent to steal it, and alternatively, with the possession of a dead cat, knowing it to have been stolen at Kowloon yesterday.

In answer to the charge defendant said, "Yes, I caught the cat and killed it to eat."

Inspector Portallion stated that the police had been unable to trace the owner of the cat. The defendant had been charged under the new Ordinance.

The Magistrate: Can it be larceny if the owner is not known? The substance of that (the new Ordinance) is merely to make certain classes of animals the subject of larceny.

After some consideration, his Worship stated that after looking up the origin of this legislation at Home, it seemed to him that defendant was entitled to go, and accordingly dismissed him with when he slept.

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CHAN CHUNG

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CABINET PREPARES TO FIGHT

EDEN LEAVES FOR GENEVA

BUT HOARE TO STAY HOME

London, Dec. 17. The Minister for League Affairs, Mr. Anthony Eden, on his way to Geneva to represent Britain on the League Council which meets tomorrow and which during the present session will consider the Italo-Ethiopian question and the proposed basis for negotiations between the districts drawn up in Paris.

This morning Mr. Eden attended a meeting of the Cabinet which considered the situation regarding the Italo-Ethiopian war. The Foreign Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, is confined to his house but before the Cabinet meeting the Prime Minister and several of his colleagues were in consultation with him.

Attention of political circles is concentrated on Thursday's debate in the House of Commons. The Labour Opposition has tabled a resolution in the following terms: "The terms put forward by His Majesty's Government as a basis for the Italo-Abyssinian settlement reward the declared aggressor at the expense of the victims, destroy collective security and conflict with the expressed will of the League of Nations, to which the honour of Great Britain is pledged. This House therefore demands that these terms be immediately repudiated."

Mr. Attlee will move the resolution and Mr. Hugh Dalton will wind up for the Opposition.

The Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary will speak for the Government.

Lord Davies, who had a motion down for debate in the House of Lords to-morrow on the Paris proposal, has agreed to postpone the discussion till Thursday so that the subject will be debated simultaneously in both Houses.

To-day the imperial policy of the Parliamentary group which includes right wing Conservative members, who have more than once expressed misgivings regarding the League action in connection with the Abyssinian question, was issued in a statement conveying to the Prime Minister the support of the Government in pursuance of any policy which tends to depart from the use of coercive measures in the settlement of the dispute. This group stands firmly on the ground that British foreign policy should be based on Imperial requirements and agreements.—*British Wireless*.

9.40-10 p.m. From the Studio. A Pianoforte Recital by Marina Barto.

Programme.

1. Liebestraum Liedz; 2. Preludio Rachmaninoff; 3. Nocturno Chopin; 4. Preludio Debussy.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

10.10-10.30 p.m. Light Orchestra.

Menuett (Beethoven); Entr'acte Menette (Mignon') (Thomas); In the Shadows (Flink); Fairy Tale (Heykens); Through Night to Light (Laukien); Blue Devil's March (Williams).

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

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7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

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8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.10 p.m. "Indian Love Lyrics" (Woodforde-Finden).

8.10-8.40 p.m. From the Studio.

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Wine, Women and Song (Strauss); Moonlight on the Alster (Fetras);

The Merry Widow (Lehar); Count of Luxembourg (Lehar); Amorettanzo (Gung).

9.9-10 p.m. A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.15-10 p.m. Variety.

Piano Solos—Sweet Adeline, Arthur Young and Reginald Forester; Song—One Night of Love, Master Robert Harris (Boy Soprano); Organ Solo—The Blue Danube Waltz, Reginald Foote; Vocal Duet—I've told every little star—Music in the Air, Layton and Johnston; Song—You and the Night and the Music, Gracie Fields; Guitar Solo—The World is Waiting for the Sunrise, Len Fills; Vocal—Me and the Old Folks at Home, The Hill Billies.

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FAR EAST LAWN BOWLS AMALGAMATION SCHEME To Be Placed Before English Bowling Association

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OPTIMISTIC
IN DIRECT TOUCH WITH
E.B.A. PRESIDENT**

SHANGHAI VERY INTERESTED

(By "Veritas")

The scheme for the formation of a Far East Lawn Bowls Association to be affiliated to the International Bowling Board, which emanated from Mr. B. E. Maughan and which has received the enthusiastic support of Shanghai, Hankow and Singapore, is still progressing.

The latest development is that full details of the scheme have been submitted by Mr. Maughan to Mr. Cross the new President of the English Bowling Association to be placed before that august body for consideration.

Mr. Maughan hopes, that with the sympathetic influence of Mr. Cross the E.B.A. will see fit to approve of the proposals at its next meeting in January and to support its adoption by the I.B.B.

The scheme which seeks to place all lawn bowls activities in the Far East under one controlling body, is already well known locally and has been fully approved by the Hongkong L.B.A.

**SHANGHAI EXTRAORDINARILY
KEEN ON SCHEME**

**ELIMINATION OF "LEFT WING"
OBJECTIONS DESIRABLE**

Although representatives of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association met with disappointment in their efforts during the Interport visit to open negotiations with the Colony Association on the subject of the projected Far Eastern Lawn Bowls Association, the scheme has by no means been abandoned and The Shanghai Times understands that the subject is being raised through correspondence during the "off-season."

It was at first hoped that a great deal of the preliminary negotiations between Shanghai and Hongkong on the subject would be effected during the Interport visit, but owing to the crowded schedule created through the late arrival of the Northern side, the round-table conference had to be postponed.

There has been a certain amount of scepticism as to the benefits of the formation of the Far East body, voiced by a radical element in the Colony, but the plan has met with great favour among the more conservative groups, it is understood, and there should be little difficulty in carrying the proposition through to a satisfactory conclusion.

"LEFT-WING" OBJECTIONS

Objections voiced by the "radicals" of the south are in general opposed to the idea of affiliation with the International Bowling Board, which would standardize the rules of play and allow of no "local" rules to creep in for the purposes of competition. These objections, however, are not seriously upheld by the greater number of lawn bowlers, who realize the immense amount of benefit to be gained by formation of the group and its affiliation with the I.B.B.

**SOUTH OF ENGLAND
BADMINTON**

R. C. F. Nichols, the holder, beat C. H. Whitaker of Derby, by 15-11, 15-5, in the singles final of the South of England Badminton Championships at the Crystal Palace Club, proving himself to be subtle in the use of the drop and sound in clearing to a height and length against a man who was short of practice.

Miss T. Kingsbury, the left-handed South Sea girl, beat Mrs. H. S. Uber, the holder, by 11-4, 11-1, in the women's singles final, and so for the second week in success, had the honour of defeating the All-England women's champion.

Ralph Nichols and his brother Leslie Nichols, won the doubles cups outright, beating G. R. Sherwell and G. E. A. Tautz in the final by 15-7, 15-15, 15-9. Mrs. M. Barrett and Mrs. Uber beat Mrs. M. Henderson and Miss T. Kingsbury, holders, by 17-15, 15-14, in the women's double final. Ralph Nichols completed the double by winning the mixed doubles final with Mrs. Uber from L. Nichols and Miss Kingsbury by 15-8, 15-7. The bantam A.B.A. runner-up, brought



This is a copy of the presentation photograph of the Hongkong Police football team made to Mr. D. Burlingham on his retirement from the Police Force. Standing:—Messrs. Stephens, Gough, McHardy, Brooks, Green, Parker. Seated:—Shepherd, T. Pile, C. Pile, Mr. D. Burlingham, Blackburn, Johnson and G. T. Stokes. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

Australians Heading For Victory

**PILE ON THE
RUNS**

**S. Africa
Behind**

Durban Dec. 17. South Africa is facing defeat in the first Test Match against the Australians.

Continuing their first innings which had temporarily closed at 280 for 3, the Australians proceeded to aggregate 429 before dismissal.

L. Darling added another nine runs to his overnight score of 51, and Chipperfield scored the second century of the innings with a masterly 100.

BIG LEAD

The Australians thus led by 181 on the first innings. Crisp and Langton shared the wickets, but both suffered from the brilliance of the Australian batting. Langton claimed four victims at a cost of 113 runs, and Crisp secured three for 87.

Needing 182 to save the innings defeat, South Africa hit up 107 for the loss of three wickets before stumps were drawn. Siedlo contributed a fine knock of 59, but the home team are still 14 runs in arrears with seven wickets in hand. The match concludes to-morrow.—Reuter.

German Boxers Beat British

**CIVIL SERVICE TEAM LOSE ON THE
LAST BOUT OF EVENING**

London, Nov. 29.

A German side, including two champions in Buttner, lightweight, and Pietsch, light-heavy beat the Civil Service at the Stadium Club last night by four bouts to three. The bouts were each three rounds of three minutes.

The visitors were fighters to a man, employing what can best be described as the American-European style.

They were always tearing in two handed, against boxers whose chief weapon was the straight left.

Murak, a heavy-shouldered, smiling wolver "south paw," battered A. M. Crawley to impotence in the third round, to give his side the lead.

Trafe followed to square matters. Then Pietsch, in the final fight of the evening, settled matters in the first round, against T. Henderson, with some powerful right-hand punches.

Every German gave the Nazi salute as he came into the ring. One man

gave it in cursory fashion. Im-

mediately his second reprieved him and he gave it again with full impre-

ssive ness.

Before the International contest a Civil Service team beat the Stock Exchange by six bouts to one.



Chipperfield—He hit up a century against the South Africans yesterday.

**JAPANESE RUGBY TEAM
TO VISIT SHANGHAI**

**First Appearance On
December 29**

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

The visit to Shanghai of a crack Japanese rugby team was virtually assured yesterday when the Shanghai Japanese Amateur Association wired the Rugby Association of Japan an invitation.

If the invitation is accepted, three games will be played here, the Shanghai Nichi-Nichi reports. The first encounter is

scheduled to begin at 11 o'clock on the morning of Sunday, Dec. 29. The second is slated for Jan. 2 and the third for Jan. 5.

The Nipponese team, consisting of players from the various Railway Bureau squads throughout the country, will leave Tokyo on Christmas, when Japanese official establishments cease business for the year.

The squad will be captained by Motoharu Igarashi, a graduate of Meiji University and a forward on the Tokyo Railway Bureau XV, champion businessmen's team in Nippon.

Negotiations are also being carried on by the S.J.A. A.A. to bring here the hockey team of Keio University and a "sumo" wrestling extravaganza early next year, the Shanghai Nippo states.

CORRESPONDENCE

**Civilians' Hockey
Team**

The Sports Editor
Hongkong Telegraph

**JAPANESE
BID FOR
OLYMPICS**

**COMMITTEE OF
SIXTY**

APPOINTED TO-DAY

Tokyo, Dec. 13.

Twelve Vice-Ministers of State, high officials of the Diet, the Mayor of Tokyo, the Chief Secretary of the Cabinet and three university presidents will be included on the committee which will head the movement to bring the XIth Olympic Games to Japan in 1940.

The committee will be inaugurated on December 18, at a meeting at Prince Katsuhiko Okada's official residence. Prince Iyesato Tokugawa, President of the Japan Red Cross Society, has been selected President of the new organization.

Included on the committee of 60 will be Mr. Takeo Shiraishi, secretary of the Cabinet; Mr. Toratomo Ushizuka, Mayor of Tokyo; Dr. Mataro Nagoya, President of the Tokyo Imperial University; and Doctors Hodzumi Tanaka and Shinzo Koidzumi, respectively presidents of Waseda and Keio universities.

Others on the committee will be the President and Vice-President of the House of Peers; the Speaker and Vice-Speaker of the Lower Chamber; Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Tokyo Municipal Council and prominent business men.

TECHNICAL EXPERTS

The projected body will investigate and plan all financial and material phases of the question of bringing the games to Tokyo.

A special committee of more than 20 experts will be chosen to deal with the various technical questions such as the building of stadium, Olympic village for men and women athletes and other preparations. Publicity and finances will receive special attention.

Should the movement prove successful, the committee will be dissolved on the ground that it has achieved its aim. It will, however, be immediately succeeded by another body that will take the prepared plans and put them into effect.

Divett, G. Singh, Awtar Singh, Pinto, Souza.

Although Souza is faster than Pinto, he is only faster than Awtar Singh otherwise. A. Singh is more tricky and has much better ball control.

I commend following forward line for the selection committee's due consideration and I hope it is not too late.

Divett, G. Singh, Awtar Singh, Pinto, Souza.

Although Souza is faster than Pinto, he has a tendency to get off-side and his stick work is not as good as Souza's. Furthermore, Souza and Pinto combine well, and the Selections do well to select Souza.

In conclusion I beg to point out that I am not personally acquainted with any of the above players. I am only voicing my opinion as I would like to see the best civilian side turned out against the Services.

Yours etc., E. S. LYNN.

**LADIES'
TENNIS
TITLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIPS
START SOON.**

ENTRIES OPEN

The ladies singles and doubles championship of Hong Kong will be held under auspices of the U.S.R.C. and under the following conditions. Entries are invited.

The Tournament will be conducted under the present rules of Lawn Tennis and the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association.

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MRS. PATERSON GIVES CUP

The Tennis Sub-Committee of the U.S.R.C. may extend the time limit if they think fit on account of bad weather or other unforeseen occurrence, otherwise players will be accredited if they have not played their games by the date stated.

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For each match balls will be provided by the U.S.R.C. On completion of the match, balls will be returned to the Secretary, U.S.R.C.

RUGBY DEFEAT FOR
CAMBRIDGE

**LOSE 19-8 TO DUBLIN
UNIVERSITY**

Cambridge University rugby fifteen visited Dublin to-day and lost to the University in an annual fixture. But they could make no impression on the Irishmen, who won somewhat easily by 19 points to eight.—Reuter.

Best of three advantage sets shall be played in all matches and results must be immediately sent in to the undersigned by the winners.

Mrs. J. J. Paterson has kindly presented a Championship Cup for competition in the Ladies' Singles.

Prizes will be provided by the U.S.R.C.

The draw, which may be seeded at the discretion of the Tennis Sub-Committee of the U.S.R.C. will take place at 6.30 p.m. January 5, at the R.C.C.

The Tennis Committee, U.S.R.C. are the sole arbiters of any dispute that may arise.

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ALDERSHOT v Gillingham

BRIGHTON v Clapton O.

BRISTOL C. v Crystal P.

COVENTRY v Luton

EXETER v Bristol R.

MILLWALL v READING

NEWPORT v Notts C.

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SWINDON v Bournemouth

TORQUAY v Cardiff

WATFORD v Northampton

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

CARLISLE v CHESTERFIELD

DARLINGTON v Rochdale

GATESHEAD v York

HALIFAX v Lincoln

HARLEPOOL v Stockport

OLDHAM v Crewe

ROtherham v Accrington

TRANMERE v Birkenhead

WALSALL v New Brighton

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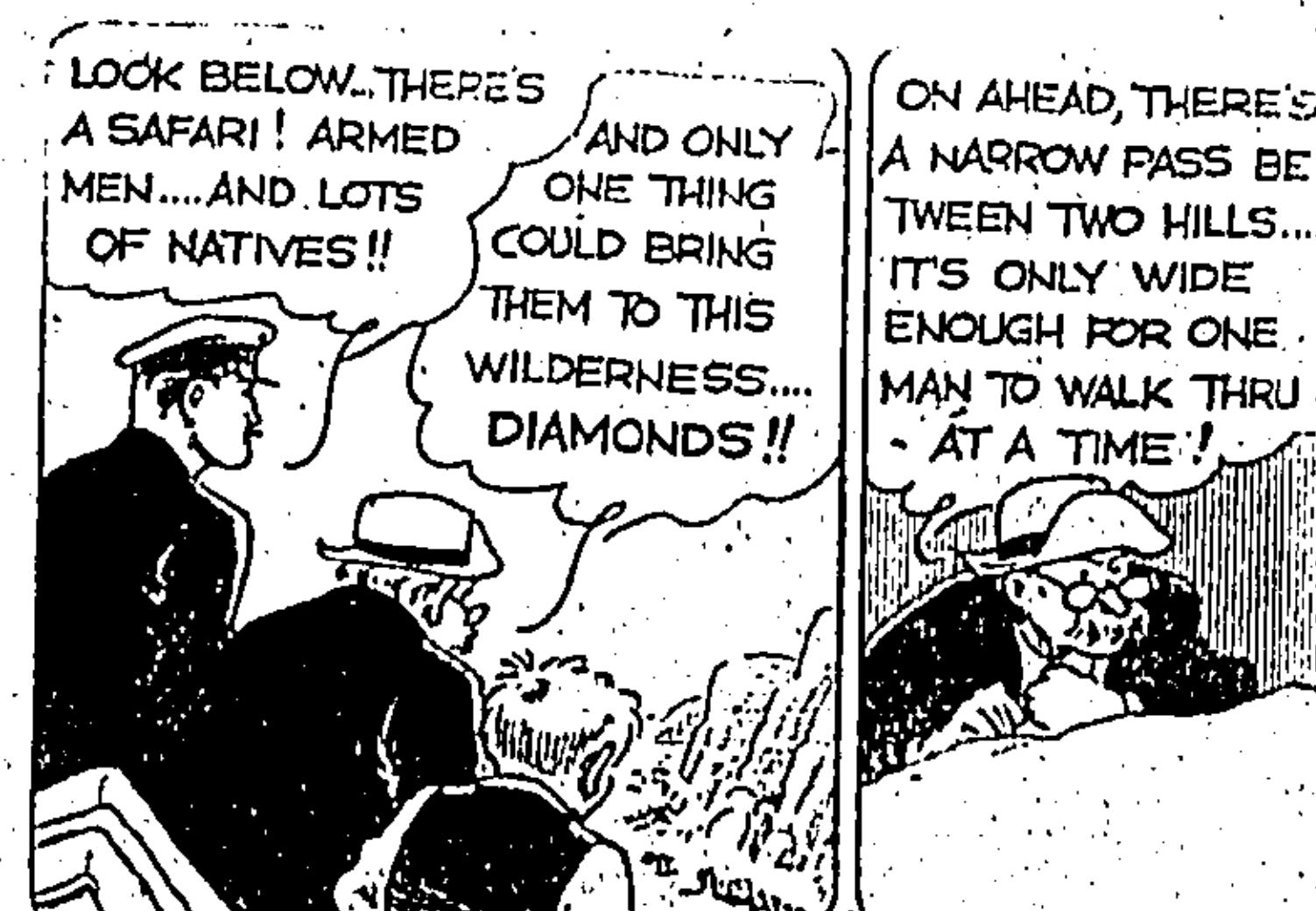
ENEMIES LEAVE ALL NORTHERN FIELD

Tientsin, Dec. 18.

General Sung Chih-yuan's and General Shang Chen's troops have completely evacuated Tangku, Taku and Hsingho.

They thus have allowed General Yin Ju-keng's military police to occupy the entire coast region east of Tientsin, without trouble.—United Press.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



L. T. WONG CAPTURES ANOTHER LONG DISTANCE CROWN



L. T. Wong, holder of the cross-country championship and a winner of the International Walk as well as numerous other titles, added the Western Light Harriers Club cross-country crown to his collection when he romped home an easy winner of the 12 miles grind staged in Shanghai last week between Nantao and Lungtung and back. S. H. Hoo, one of the most promising of China's new runners, came in a good second. Above are the first four, with officials of the race.

Y.M.C.A. PANTOMIME SUCCESS

"Dick Whittington" A Real Triumph

"Back to those Happy Days, Back to the Life worth living". It was back to those happy hours at least for those who attended the Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Company's production of the pantomime Dick Whittington in the West Lounge.

The large audience was treated to two and a half hours of rollicking fun, for the Company certainly maintained its reputation established locally in the production of Christmas entertainment.

Audrey Steele, who is one of the most popular concert entertainers in the Colony, played the title role with her usual charm and ability and received deserved applause for her rendering of several songs. Opposite her was Noreen Cooper as Alice Fitzwarren, and the pair teamed remarkably well. Especially in their duet numbers. Miss Cooper looked most attractive, but unfortunately her singing voice was a little weak and did not carry too well, with the result that her words were often lost to those in the back of the hall.

FINE PERFORMANCE

Honours undoubtedly go to William Simpson as the Inevitable Dame, Mary Anne. His performance was the laugh of the show, his best number being "No one loves a fairy when she's forty", when, attired in a ballet dress, rusty tinsel and carrying a bent wand, he reminds the fact that his days are over, the demand being for magic "from a younger bit of stuff". Prolonged applause greeted his exit after he had brought the item to a close with a step dance.

Oscar Eager, who is well-known in local dramatic circles, made an excellent comedian as His Illness Jack, and with W. Robertson as Alderman Fitzwarren, was responsible for many riotous moments.

Libby St. Aubyn Sharpeham as Bow Bell the Fairy Queen, made an admirable contrast to the villain of the piece, D. R. Paul as the Rat King, her rendering of "The Pipes of Pan" and "The Valley of Laughter" being extremely well received.

The Captain of the "Frantic Polly" (George Wood), the Mate (Willie Forsyth), the Bosun (Bob Bates) and the Sailor (Bill Muir) gave of their best in a local interpretation of "Heaven help a Sailor" and were recalled for a well deserved encore.

Bobbie Salk partnered Audrey Steele in the role of the Cat, and Steele in the audience with his antics and acrobatics.

COLOURFUL SCENE

Perhaps the best Act was that in the Palace of the Sultan of Dootnow, a colourful scene with Dannie Wilson as the Sultan and the entire beauty chorus as his harem. And what a

beauty chorus! Eastern dances featured this part of the programme and congratulations are due to Ellen Ford who, supported by Isobel Holland, Eddie Thompson, Gwen Lakeman, and Jean Lachman, gave a delightful interpretation of a dance "Exotic".

Another outstanding item is the Ballet presented by the Volkov School of Dancing under the direction of George Gancheroff, who himself appeared with Stella Best in "Pais de Doux" which drew thunderous applause from the audience.

That the pantomime is ever a children's day out was evident by the splendid reception and calls of "encore" given to two numbers given by children with Oscar Eager entitled "I Love Kids" and the other "Who made Little Boys".

The supporting cast were Frank Anslow as the Grand Vizier, Sydney Tremlett as the ferocious executioner and John Luke and Alfred Chidlow as guards.

The script was written by Mr. S. A. Sweet, and its localisation is done with success. W. Robertson was responsible for the production and both deserve the highest tribute.

The pantomime comprises four acts, "Highgate Hill," "On Board the Palace of Dreams," and "The Belfry," "Temple But-l-on-don" making the second scene of the last night. The scenery throughout is delightful, especially the brilliant combination of colours in the Sultan's palace scene. Praise is due to V. Patherick. The lighting is in the able hands of W. E. Orchard.

The orchestration contributes in no small measure to the success of the show.

THE CHORUS

The chorus of Artisan Sailors, Apprentices, Hairpin Ladies, etc., were:—Alice Powell, Edna Orford, Nora Fuller, Edna Martin, Ruth Ingram, Marjorie Westcott, Peggy McCaw, Eddie Thompson, Isobel Holland, Gwen Lakeman, Jean Lachman, Berlin Kent and Valerie Bockler, Children—Winnie Ingram, Hazel Millington, Babes Jones, Joyce Hardie, Marjorie Chester Woods, Betty May, Pauline Strange and Wendy Anslow, Fairies—Beatrice Clammette, Tania Chirba, Eileen Sherriff, Diana Digby, Pamela Crofton, Kitty D'Grazia, Patricia Paseo, Gill Stokes and Peggy Murray. (Of the Volkov School of Dancing).

The orchestra comprised the following:—Piano (Mrs. W. Sinclair); 1st Violin (Hubert Stedler); 2nd Violin (Barbara Brown); Saxophone (E. Huetzel); Trumpet (A. Sarne); Drum (W. Iles). Officials connected with the Pantomime include the following: Secretary (D. R. Paul); Seating Arrangements (A. J. Taylor); Behind the Scenes (V. Patherick, W. C. Bonn, E. Sweetnam, E. W. Nicholas, F. Tindall); Make Up (Mrs. Lanchester, J. C. M. Graham); Programme Ladies (T. Booker, M. Booker, R. Jordan, M. McCaw, B. Boryer).

The performance will be repeated on Thursday and Saturday nights and matinees will be given on Friday at 5.30 p.m. and on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.

FORGED HONGKONG BANKNOTES

CHINESE SOLDIER IN THE DOCK

That he did not know that the notes found in his possession were forged was the excuse made by Wong Fuk-ko, a Chinese soldier, when he was charged before Mr. Justice Lindell at the Criminal Sessions this morning in connection with uttering and possessing forged notes.

The particulars of the charges were that the accused on November 9 uttered a forged note, purported to have been issued by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and secondly, he was alleged to have seven other notes of similar denomination in his possession at the Tin Lee shop, No. 144 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, represented the Crown, while the accused was not legally represented.

The jury empanelled comprised Messrs. G. B. Witchell (foreman), H. J. Tebbutt, J. C. V. Ribeiro, V. A. Novikoff, T. O'Neill, Young Chun-pui and Chau Hau-leung.

It was alleged by the prosecution that at 2.30 p.m. on November 9, the accused went into the Tin Lee shop and purchased a piece of satin worth \$11. He tendered a \$50 note which a salesman examined, but did not account as it looked rather suspicious.

A fold was accordingly sent to a money-changer's shop and it was then found that the note was a forgery.

Before the note was taken to the money-changer's, the salesman had asked the accused for another note, but the latter said that he could not give another as it was the only one he had.

After the fold's return with the information that the note was a forgery, the salesman asked the accused what he was going to do about it. The shop would not have pursued the matter of the forgery if the accused had been able to pay the \$11 for the satin, which had already been cut and wrapped up, but as the accused was unable to do so, he was not allowed to leave the shop. The accused then offered a gold ring and watch and asked the shop folks to pawn them. This was accordingly done, and with these articles, the sum of \$6 was realised.

At one stage of the argument, a Chinese detective entered the shop. To him, the salesman told the story of the forged note.

The salesman noticed that the accused had taken the \$50 note from his right breast pocket. He asked the accused if he had any money in his left breast pocket, but the accused

DRUG POSSESSION CASE

LAWYER OBJECTS TO COMMITIAL

A formal remand of 48 hours was granted by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when three men and two women appeared on remand on charges of possession of heroin pills and dangerous drugs on the second floor of No. 15 Caroline Road on November 15.

The defendants are Choi Kau, Lo Sing, Li So, and two women Ho Ying and Fung Chiu. Mr. S. Ng Quinn appeared on behalf of the first, second, fourth and fifth defendants, and Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the third defendant.

The prosecution was represented by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, the Crown Solicitor, and Revenue Officer Grinnell.

On the appearance of the defendants this morning, Mr. Hazlerigg said the Crown took a serious view of the case and he had been instructed to ask that the case be taken for committal.

Mr. Loseby, on behalf of his client, reminded his Worship that as he had previously pointed out, the case could not be taken for committal as his Worship had already assumed power to deal with it summarily.

Mr. Schofield remarked that he would be proceeding on short leave to-morrow, and if the Crown decided to go on with the case at once, he would not be back before the first week in January.

Mr. Loseby stated he had no objection to another magistrate hearing the case.

After much discussion, both the prosecution and the defence agreed to a formal remand of 48 hours, in order that a date might be fixed for hearing.

Mr. Quinn raised the question of a reduction of bail for his clients, but Mr. Hazlerigg opposed, saying it was not admissible in view of the seriousness of the offence.

Bail was allowed all defendants as before, namely, £2,500 each.

replied in the negative. However, the salesman saw him tucking something in his girdle.

When the detective searched the accused, seven other notes of the same denomination were found.

Evidence was given by Ho Jim-nam, a shroff in the commodity department of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who testified that the notes were good forgeries and would probably have been passed by people who were not used to dealing with them.

Mak Sing-wan, a salesman at the Tin Lee shop, then described what happened in the shop, and after further evidence had been given, the case was adjourned until Friday afternoon at 2.30.

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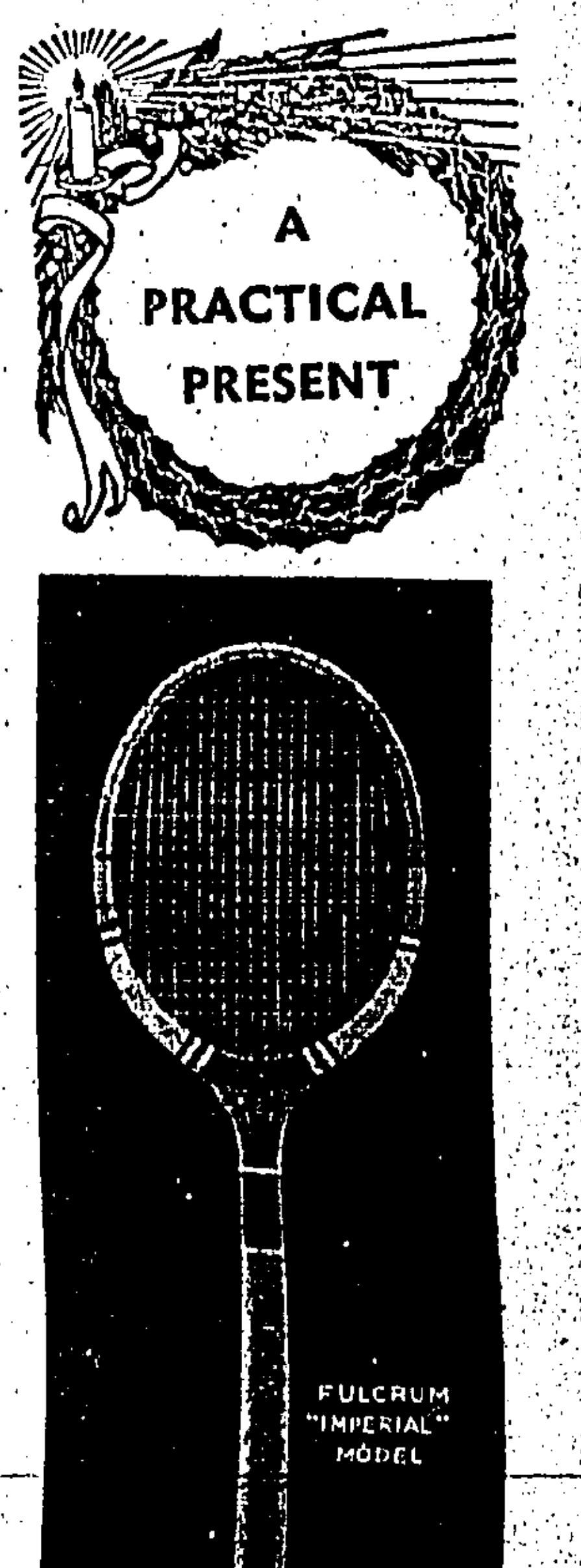
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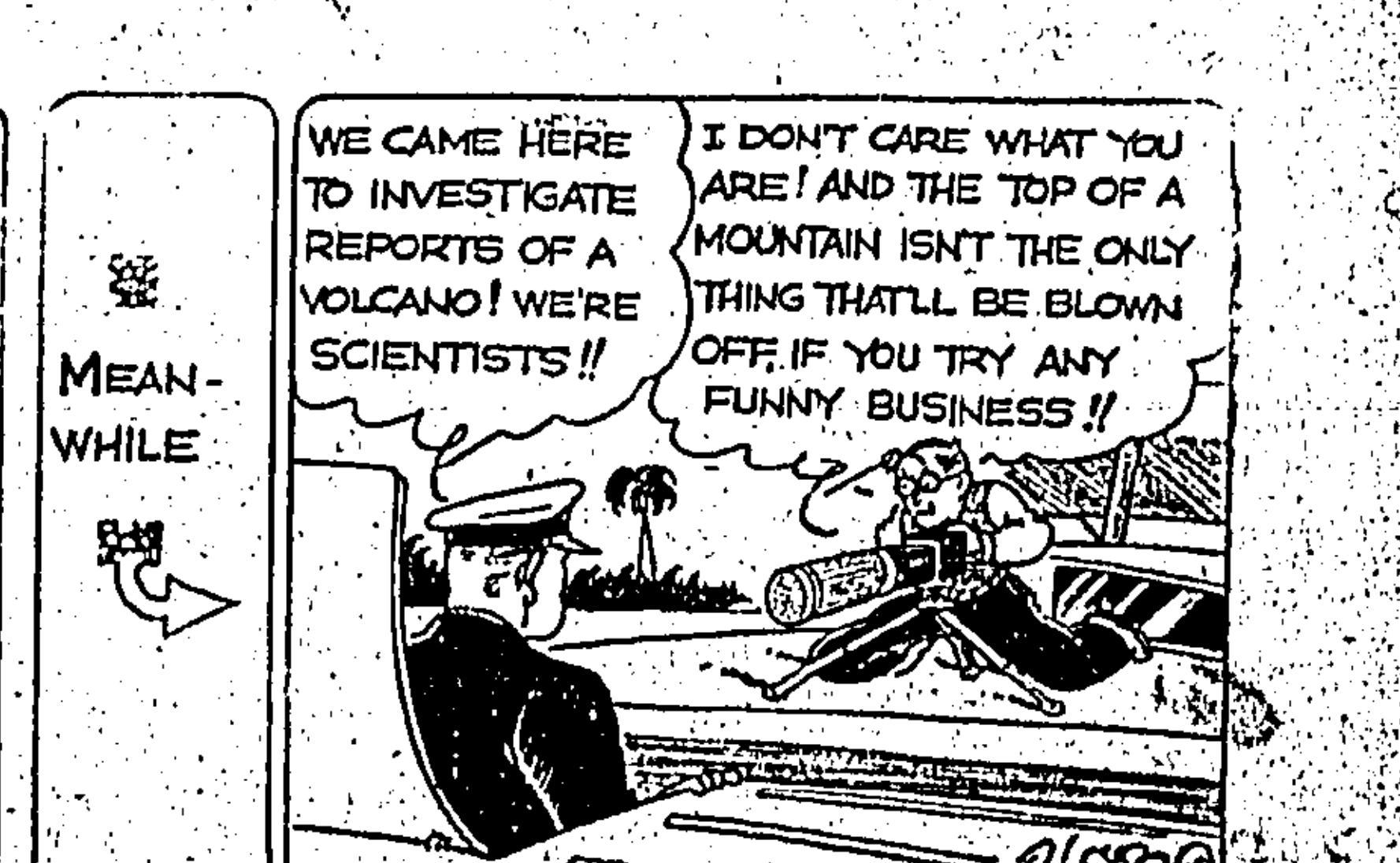
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MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Dec. 17.
The following reports on the New

York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's market: The stock markets to-day were irregular. A technical recovery was in evidence, but conditions were quiet. Motor issues were in demand. The market

for bonds was upward. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were irregularly higher.

S. C. & F. New York office cables:

Stocks: "Securities were in better

demand, especially towards the close

of the session and prices look likely

to go higher. The Southern Railway

Company has earned \$170,000 during

October, against a loss of \$300,783

during the same month last year.

The J. C. Penney Company has earned

\$1.30 per share for the 12 months

ended October 31st, against \$1.30 per

share during the corresponding months

of last year. The Atchison, Topeka

& Santa Fe Railroad Company has

earned 13 cents per share for the

period ended October 31st, against 47

cents per share last year. The asset

value of the Adam Express Company

was \$12.38 on December 12th. This

company proposes to retire its pre-

ferring issues at par on February 18,

1936 through bank loans. Business

failed during the week amounted to

242, against 211 failures the previous

week. Demand deposits amounted to

\$13,092,000,000 as compared with \$13,-

\$11,020,000 the previous week.

Cotton: It is reported that the

Government may absorb the differ-

ence and sell "loan" and Producers

Pool cotton at around 12 cents. The

market is nervous and without any

special feature.

Wheat: There is some improve-

ment in the export demand for

Canadian wheat. Weather conditions

in the South-West continue dry. Some

traders believe that cash premiums

will be reflected in futures later in

the season.

Corn: This market is narrow and

without any special feature.

Rubber: The market is very steady,

but trading is quiet.

Special:—The American Smelting

Company has declared a dividend of

40 cents per share.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages: Dec. 16, Dec. 17.

30 Industrials 139.11 140.00

20 Rails 39.55 40.08

22 Utilities 28.16 28.30

40 Bonds 97.08 97.60

11 Commodity Index 55.68 55.68

EXCHANGE RATES

Dec. 16. Dec. 17.

Paris 74.33/94 74.31/64

Geneva 15.18 15.17

Berlin 12.25 12.25

Athens 619 519

Shanghai 172 172

New York 4.22 4.02

Amsterdam 7.27 7.20

Vienna 20 20

Prague 115 118

Bucharest 665 665

Madrid 35.31/32 31/32

London 110 110

Lisbon 1/3/16 1/3/16

Hongkong 29.22 29.20

Montevideo 39 39

Buenos Aires 216 217

Montreal 4.06 4.07

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SERIAL STORY**BARGAIN BRIDE**

by KATHARINE HAVILAND-TAYLOR

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

HARRIETT COLVIN, back in New York after years, finds himself much attracted by 20-year-old ELINOR STAFFORD. Harriet is wealthy and has made her name, himself as an archeologist. Elinor's mother, LIDA STAFFORD, is beautiful and, because of her attention for herself, has forced her daughter to wear unbecoming clothes to keep in the background. Her nerves keep her constantly to keep the good graces of her husband and his aunt, MISS ELLA SEXTON, in order to inherit a share of the Boston fortune.

Harriet's half-sister, MARCIA RADNOR, tells him she is terrified for her husband will learn of an unfortunate episode in her past. Years before, Harriet, while still a girl, had a youthful flirtation which disastrously ended in her wife leaving him. Marcia had a son, Harold Dexter, adopted. The boy is eighteen years old now and his tutor, HAROLD DEXTER, has threatened Marcia with blackmail. She declares that her husband learns the truth he will never forgive her.

Harriet goes to visit nine-year-old GERALD, his ward. He has decided to discharge his tutor and find a new home for himself. He calls on Miss Ella Sexton who tells him she cannot advise him what to do with her money. Gerald refuses to advise her. As he is leaving, he meets Lida Stafford, Elinor's mother.

Lida goes to meet VANCE GANTHER who makes love to her and tries to persuade her to go to Manila with some friends. Vance says he will follow later.

CHAPTER VIII

Sunday morning Higgins appeared with a card upon which was engraved the name, "Mr. Harold Dexter."

"Show the young man in, Higgins," said Barrett as he laid the card on the tray from which he'd taken it. He waited, standing, chin hardening. A moment and Harold Dexter appeared in the doorway; a hulking-shouldered young man whose pallor was increased by dark, horn-rimmed glasses. There was an oily, nervous smile on his weak face.

"And what can I do for you, Mr. Dexter?" Barrett asked without pre-facing greeting.

"I want a chance to talk with you, Mr. Colvin."

"May I sit down?"

"Certainly."

Harold Dexter settled himself in a chair. Barrett, waiting, wondered how he could ever have been deceived by the young man for a moment. Dexter was not sufficiently strong even to be a successful criminal.

The newcomer moistened his lips. "I didn't like my dismissal, Mr. Colvin," he began.

"I don't like you or you would not have had your dismissal." Barrett responded with equal frankness.

"Why don't you like me, Mr. Colvin?"

"And why should I believe that?"

"I swear it! I swear to God, Mr. Colvin."

Fifteen minutes later, Barrett was alone. He stood at the window, staring down at the street. He hoped he had done the right thing but how could he be sure? Was Marcia really safe? Her baby was to be born in January. Perhaps it would have been better to pay the \$10,000. If Dexter should find out that his threats were all a bluff! No, Barrett wouldn't consider that possibility. It was simply borrowing trouble. And he couldn't hand over the money, couldn't knuckle under to a scoundrel like that!

There was nothing to do now but hope and pray that the fear he had put into Dexter would endure at least until Marcia was well again. Later if there were trouble she must face it.

He telephoned to tell her he had seen Dexter. The matter had been settled and there was nothing more for her to worry about. He prayed for her and it that the words were true.

"No, Aunt Ella."

"Yes, Aunt Ella."

"She wrote me that Dr. Simpson said a change of climate is necessary to her recovery from a nagging cough."

"I spoke of your mother," said Miss Ella to the girl. "I understand she is going south."

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"Yes, Aunt Ella."

"Well, neither did I," said Barrett. He smiled engagingly but Miss Ella's expression remained stern.

When Elinor rose an hour later

Barrett, looking down at her, said boldly, "Do you know I'm going to drive you home?"

"Are you?" she answered, pleased.

"I wish you would, Barrett," put in Miss Ella. "I don't like to have her alone along as the dusk falls. In my day such a thing was unheard-of."

Barrett Colvin found himself for the first time approving wholeheartedly. Miss Ella's Victorian standards. How little the girl seemed beside him!

"Shall we go?" he asked.

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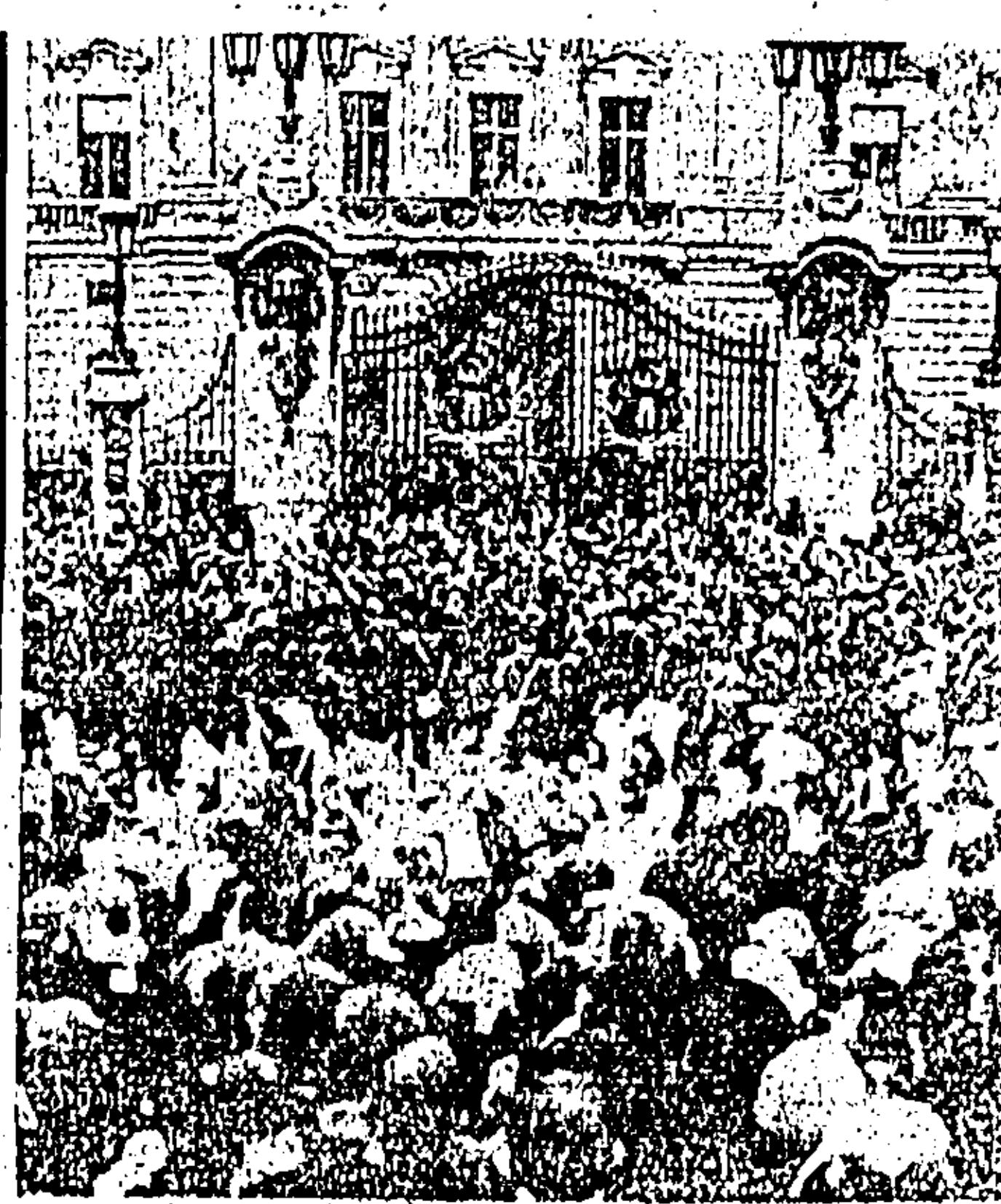
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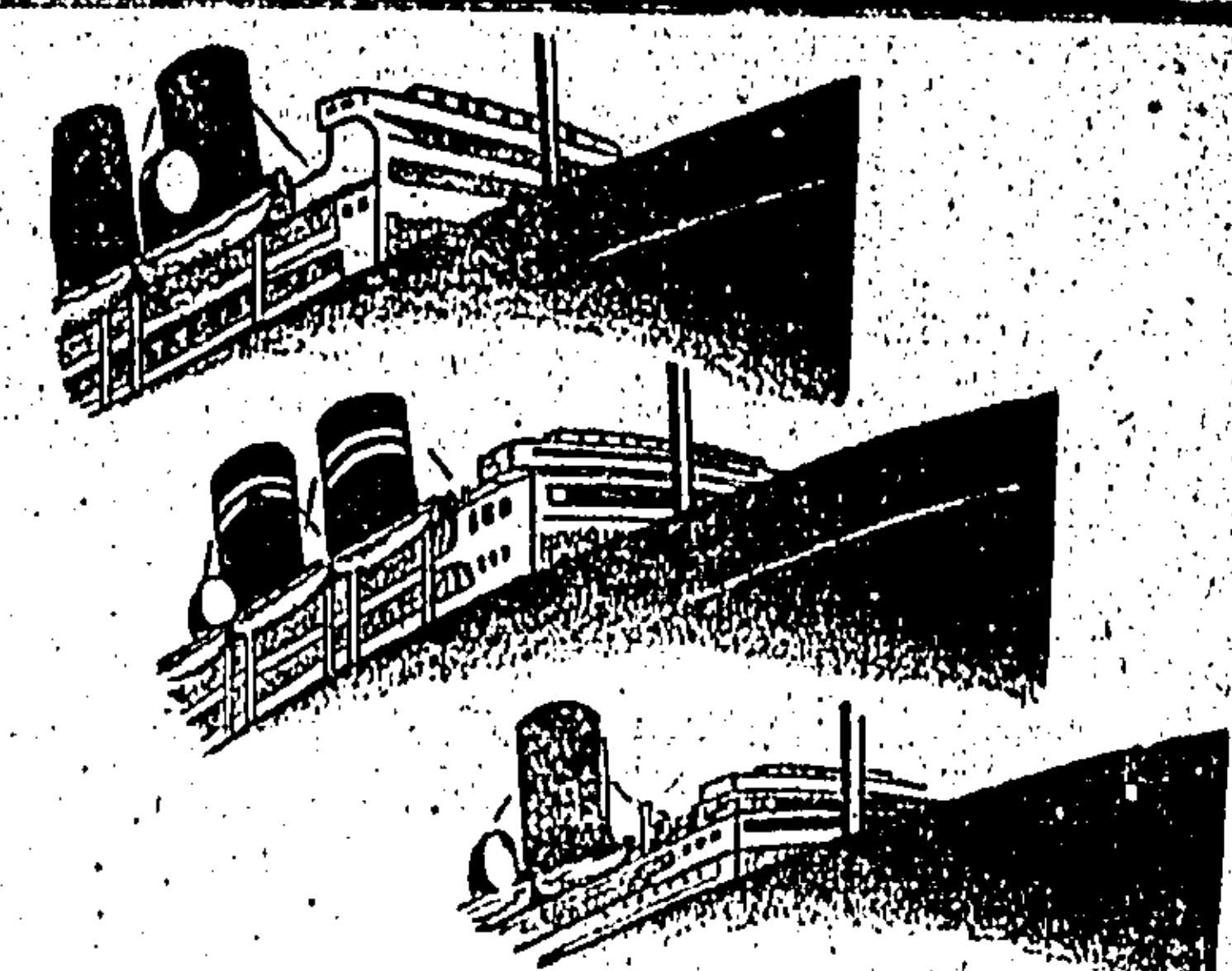
Though it was a quiet wedding held in Buckingham palace chapel, thousands of people stood outside the gates when the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Montagu-Canterbury were married on November 6. Here are first pictures of the royal couple taken immediately after the ceremony which was performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury. TOP, the bridal party, from LEFT to RIGHT, BACK ROW, Miss Clive Phipps, Lady Elizabeth Scott, Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Gloucester, the new Duchess of Gloucester, His Majesty the King, Lady Angela Scott and Miss Moyra Scott. In the FRONT ROW, from LEFT to RIGHT are Lady Mary Cambridge, Princess Elizabeth of York, Princess Margaret Rose of York and Miss Ann Hawkins. BELOW, LEFT, the happy royal couple waving to the huge throngs from Buckingham Palace balcony. A section of the crowd is shown at RIGHT.



While the Abyssinian men-folk are fighting the Italian invaders at the front their women and children carry on their home life behind the lines. The above picture shows a housewife cooking in front of the house.



Ethiopian Chieftains surrendering to Italians on the northern front—official photograph.



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